

DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

September 4, 1952

*Jhm* SAC, CHICAGO (66-4216)

CG-5824-S

CONFIDENTIAL

Re Chicago letter August 15, last.

As per Bureau's request the following progress report concerning informant's efforts to reactivate in the CP is submitted for the period August 15, through 31, 1952:

For the reasons set out in referenced letter, personal contacts with this informant have been kept to a minimum during the past two weeks and informant has confined himself to renewing some old rank and file party contacts, to correspondence, and to continuing his reading of party literature so that he can become current on all political issues affecting the party line both nationally and internationally.

On August 29, 1952, informant advised that he has been able to verify, through personal contact with his courier, that his letter to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, sent in early August, had been delivered personally to WILLIAM WEINER who had assured the courier that it would be delivered to FOSTER on the following day. The courier also assured the informant of the statements made by WEINER to be conveyed to the informant and particularly to the statement that informant would be visited by an "important person" in the next month or five weeks.

To date the "important person" has not visited the informant, however, such visit is expected within the next two weeks. The informant advised on August 27, last, that he is reluctant to make further additional contact with local party functionaries for the present at least until his contact with the "important person" because he feels that such "open contacts" might interfere with some party plan to "keep him on ice" in the apparatus. For the present and until such contacts and informant learns of the party plans for him, the informant advised that he will make no contacts with local functionaries on his own initiative.

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The informant also advised on August 27, last, that he has had no additional contacts with LEON KATZEN, Communist Party Financial Secretary of District #8, now underground, who last contacted informant July 24, last and has received no messages through their mutual third party contacts.

Informant continues his correspondence with MARCEL and LENA SCHERER, former New York State and national CP functionaries who are presently on the west coast, and in a letter postmarked August 26, last, furnished by the informant for examination they indicated that they would possibly leave Los Angeles for the east coast during the first week in September. In previous letters they indicated they had been in contact with HARRY BRIDGES in San Francisco and with other west coast functionaries. The informant has again invited them to be his guests at his home while enroute to the east coast and the informant is of the opinion that if they accept this invitation he will again be in a position to obtain valuable information.

The informant continues his correspondence with WILLIAM LAWRENCE, former national committee member in New York, in order that information in LAWRENCE's possession can be obtained if and when the informant feels it is advisable to visit New York.

The informant on August 27, last, also advised that in his opinion "patience so as not to create suspicion," at least until he is in contact with "important person" is most important. He is encouraged both by the friendliness of local comrades and by the reaction to him of WILLIAM WEINER, who is close to FOSTER. He feels that it is entirely possible that WILLIAM WEINER, JACK KLING or PHIL BART might be the "important person" designated to contact him.

This office has concluded that informant is sincere and cooperative and because of his knowledge through long party experience of party operations, his suggestions re reactivation are being followed at this time. An understanding exists, however, that before any possible reactivation efforts are made by the informant, the matter should be thoroughly discussed and agreed upon by all interested parties.

Informant on August 29, last, advised that he is now contemplating a letter to be sent to WILLIAM WEINER thanking him for his efforts. Informant feels that such a letter should be sent in order to "patch" up differences and informant feels WEINER will be more friendly after informant expresses the same feeling toward WEINER.

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On August 29, last, contact was also had with NY-694-S who was in Chicago on business from August 25, through September 2, last. A general discussion was held concerning the informant's attitude toward the Bureau. This informant advised that in his opinion, based on recent contacts in New York in behalf of CG-5824-S, this informant is still in the good graces of the party and in a position to furnish valuable information in the future. NY-694-S also advised that he found CG-5824-S in a good frame of mind and said that in his opinion, informant's health is better now than it has been since 1947 and that informant's health should not interfere with reactivation efforts if the informant is cautious.

In regard to future plans for reactivation, it is felt that until the contemplated "important person" contact is made and informant learns of party intentions concerning future activities that the informant should not enlarge his present contact group because as informant has said the party may want to "keep him on ice" and, therefore, an enlargement of contacts would interfere with party plans and might also make it difficult for informant to assume a position where he can be of greatest assistance to the Bureau.

It is expected that this contact will take place during the next two weeks and also that the informant will have contact with LEON KATZEN. In the meantime, personal contacts will be made on a limited basis and the Bureau will be advised of all developments.

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TO : SAC, Chicago (66-4216)  
FROM : Director, FBI (61-7665)  
SUBJECT: CG 5824-S

DATE: September 3, 1952

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Reurlet August 15, 1952, setting forth the current status of the development of this informant.

It is noted that the informant dispatched a letter through a close personal friend which was delivered to an unidentified comrade who, in turn, was to give the letter to either Lem Harris or William Weiner.

According to CG 5824-S, this letter was delivered to Weiner and subsequently to William Z. Foster and in return an oral message was relayed to CG 5824-S that an "important person" would contact CG 5824-S in a month or five weeks.

For some reason CG 5824-S has seen fit to withhold from the Bureau the name of the individual who took his letter to New York and the name of the comrade who subsequently gave the letter to Weiner. In your contacts with CG 5824-S an attempt should be made to identify the above-mentioned individuals in order to check on the reliability of the informant and all of his channels of information. You should, of course, be discreet. CG 5824-S obviously has some particular reason for not furnishing these names in the first place.

Any information you obtain clarifying this chain of events through which CG 5824-S has been advised he can be expecting a visitor in the near future should be brought to the attention of the Bureau.

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☒ SAC  
☐ Mr. Rocha  
☐ Mr. Dennis  
☐ Mrs. Dolan  
☐ Miss Dunkel  
☐ Mr. Frankfurt  
☐ Mr. Langille  
☒ Mr. McMahon  
☐ Mr. Murphy  
☐ Miss Ryan  
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☐ Miss Gray  
☐ Miss Woodruff  
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August 15, 1952

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Rebutel to Chicago, dated 8-6-52 and Chicago teletype to Director, dated 8-8-52, concerning Bureau's request to be advised of informant's reactivation efforts and also to be advised of informant's attitude towards proposals outlined in referenced Bureau teletype.

In conformance with the request in referenced Bureau teletype for a bi-weekly report of informant's progress and his reactions to proposals in referenced Bureau teletype, the following is submitted:

On the matter of informant's reaction to the proposals outlined in referenced Bureau teletype, a lengthy conference was held with the informant on August 8, last, at which time a thorough review of points of differences and agreements was had with the informant.

The discussion was held on a friendly and frank basis. Informant was advised that all matters of differences which he had presented had been considered and as a result it was desired to give him the following assurances: that the Bureau thoroughly understood that the informant was motivated on ideological grounds rather than money and that money only became a necessary matter to be raised and settled after informant had agreed to assist the Bureau; that he is highly regarded and respected and it is believed that with his full cooperation on a reactivation program that he can contribute a telling blow against the Communist Party, USA and Russian leadership; that in regard to the program mutually agreed to; his services were being considered on a long range basis; and that assuming he is still in the good graces of the Communist Party, with his full cooperation mutually agreed upon, the objective can be reached.

The informant repeated that his objective is to assist the Bureau to ultimately control the Communist Party, USA and, therefore, know exactly what is in the minds of the leaders. He said that he believes that it is entirely possible for him to place himself in a position where he can assume some leadership role and possibly with the knowing or unknowing

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assistance of many old Communists not now in leadership can in fact control the thinking of the leadership of the National Office of the Communist Party. He advised that most of the people whom he has in mind share his and EARL BROWDER'S views and believes in the possibility of the establishment of an American Communist Party, USA without being dominated by Russia. In his opinion such leadership, if possible to attain, would be far superior insofar as the Bureau's interests are concerned, than the present Pro-Stalin leadership. The informant emphasized that he is not in agreement with the former views which he had concerning a National Communist Party, USA, but that he believes best results can be obtained at the present time by attempting to form such leadership and using it as a wedge against the present Pro-Stalin leadership. He pledged himself to full cooperation in connection with any information he receives and said that he looks forward to a cooperative relationship to exist on a long time basis.

The informant, after several hours, agreed to accept compensation along the lines outlined in referenced Bureau teletype but said he was doing so reluctantly out of necessity and that if he was solvent financially, he would never accept compensation and would work on a volunteer basis which he considered a much more adequate way to establish relationship in the security field. It was agreed that there would be no itemization of expenses required and that he would agree to accept \$800.00 per month to be used as he saw fit.

It was suggested that informant could possibly buy a used car in the near future on the installment plan in order to provide more adequate security and mobility and in addition could possibly apply \$100.00 per month on his current pressing obligations. Informant agreed to the above possibilities but said that for the next two months he would be unable to purchase a car because he would have to use the funds he was to receive to meet current obligations and debt. However, he felt that he would be in a position to buy a car in about two months and advised that he would immediately make contact among the comrades in an effort to locate a good used car. It was agreed that in the meantime meetings would be arranged in various hotels in Chicago, which informant has been reaching in the past through public transportation.

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REACTIVATION PROGRESS MADE BY INFORMANT

In reference to reactivation progress made by the informant within the past two weeks, the informant has advised that he was told that LEON KATZEN, Communist Party functionary of District #8, presently underground, is "out of town" for the first two weeks in August. Informant last made contact with KATZEN on July 24, last, at which time KATZEN was friendly and discussed political matters for approximately four hours.

On July 31 and August 1, 1952, JEREMIAH INGERSOLL of New York, the son of the former Borough President of Brooklyn and formerly active in the Communist Party movement in Chicago, stayed at the informant's residence while enroute from New York to San Cristobal Ranch near Sante Fe, New Mexico. INGERSOLL is a friend and past business associate in the publishing business of LEM HARRIS, Communist Party National functionary and for that reason the importance of this contact is emphasized. In addition, the informant was able to furnish considerable information as to who is presently at the San Cristobal Ranch from New York. Another reason for emphasizing the importance of this contact is that the Chicago Office had been previously advised of the intention of INGERSOLL to visit Chicago during the latter part of July 1952, and it was, therefore, possible to check the informant's veracity in reference to the presence of INGERSOLL in Chicago, inasmuch as the informant had not been alerted of the contemplated visit.

The Bureau was previously advised of the intention of the informant to dispatch a letter to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER on or about August 1, 1952 and of the informant's intention, if deemed advisable, following receipt of reply to said letter, to visit FOSTER in New York. The informant advised that in accordance with the plan, he sent this letter through a close personal friend who was going to New York on August 3, 1952 with the instructions that the letter was to be delivered to an unidentified comrade contact of this close friend who in turn was to deliver the letter to either LEM HARRIS or WILLIAM WEINER. The close friend left Chicago by train on August 1, last for New York and made the delivery as instructed. A few days thereafter, according to the informant, he again made contact with the unidentified person in New York who advised him the letter had been delivered to WILLIAM WEINER who had told this person that he would see FOSTER on the following day and give FOSTER the letter. WEINER, at the same time, instructed that an oral message be delivered to the informant which, according to the informant, in

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substance stated that WEINER had stated that in these days a person like the informant has to give leadership to the Party rather than to allow "youngsters" to lead the Party to ruin. According to the oral message, the informant is to be contacted by an "important person" in a month or five weeks. Informant was also told that if he has borrowed money from individuals in Chicago and is badly off that he should make this matter known and the matter of payment would be discussed in Party circles.

The informant advised on August 11, last that he attaches great significance to the message orally conveyed to him by WEINER in that he is now quite definite that he is not in the disfavor of WEINER or of FOSTER because of WEINER'S closeness to FOSTER. The informant also believes it is not advisable for him to go to New York at the present time unless he is ordered to come to New York by FOSTER or another good reason appears.

As a result of this oral message, the informant again stressed the necessity to tighten up on security insofar as meetings with him are concerned because he believes it entirely possible that the Party will, in the future and probably before contact with the "important person", conduct some kind of security check up on him. In that connection he believes he is sufficiently covered on the financial end and he said that his only worry at the present time is in the matter of meeting with the Agent. He was given the assurance that his personal protection and security are primary and for that reason it was suggested that only infrequent meetings be had with him until such time as his meeting with the "important person" has been effected and the results thereof can be evaluated.

The necessity for the purchase of an automobile by the informant as soon as possible was again stressed in order to assist on security matters. In the meantime it was agreed that discussions would be limited to the informant's furnishing of current information coming to his attention and perfecting plans for reactivation and for future contact with Communist Party functionaries in the Chicago District and possibly at a national level.

The matter of the interview of the informant in reference to information on past Communist Party activities is, therefore, being

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deferred in order to concentrate on the primary program of securing the reactivation of this informant in the most secure manner and at the earliest possible date.

#### CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE PLANS

The informant has advised that his "objective" is to place the Bureau in a position where the Bureau will be kept fully advised of the happenings within the "inner circle" of the Communist Party, USA on a day to day basis. He has repeatedly emphasized that his ultimate objective is to help the Bureau in checking the Communist Party movement in the United States by virtue of assistance in counter intelligence and ultimately to assist in completely exposing the Communist movement as being subservient to Russia.

Examination of information furnished by this informant and contacts made since April 13, last indicate that the informant's information is truthful and he intends to cooperate to the fullest extent in the future on a long range basis consistent with his condition of health.

As a result of two meetings with KATZEN and the oral message received from WILLIAM WEINER, it now appears quite certain that the informant is in a position to reactivate but that reactivation efforts must be slow and carefully planned in order that the best results can be obtained. At the present time it does not appear that the informant's physical condition will impair his activities to act at least in an advisory capacity in connection with apparatus activities.

The informant has indicated that he will refuse any overture by the Party to place him in a position of open leadership because, as he explained, this type of a position will not place him where it will be possible to obtain underground information.

The informant contemplates additional contacts with LEON KATZEN sometime immediately after August 15, 1952, after KATZEN returns to this area and also contemplates contacts with other District #8 functionaries. It is believed, however, that the contact mentioned in the message from WEINER to be made in a month or five weeks will be the one that may possibly be a measure as to the

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Party's intention regarding use of the informant.

The informant has advised that because of WEINER'S oral reply that he does not feel at the present time that it would be advisable for him to make a trip to New York and instead he should await the visit of the "important person." The New York trip, therefore, will be deferred until such time as the informant believes it should be made.

Every effort is being made to handle this informant in a manner in which the Bureau's interest can be best served and at the same time in a manner in which the informant's confidence concerning the Bureau's understanding of his motives can be increased. He appears sincere and forthright in his dealings and has never refused to answer questions concerning matters at issue.

In view of the possible Party order for a check up on this informant prior to contact by the "important person" in a month or five weeks, contacts, during this period and until the contact, will be kept to a minimum by this office and the emphasis will, for the present, at least, be placed on reactivating the informant and at the same time obtaining current Party information from him. This procedure is being adopted for security reasons and efforts to obtain past information concerning the Communist Party in the informant's possession will be continued as soon as it is deemed feasible.

The Bureau will be advised of all developments.

Director, FBI (100-3-14)

August 14, 1952

SAC, Detroit (100-2050)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Chicago letter to Bureau, July 28, 1952, concerning information submitted by CG 5824-S on July 7, 1952. The following items, in the nature of corroboration of information submitted by CG 5824-S, are set forth:

FACTIONALISM

Information submitted by [ ] as a result of this informant's trip to New York during March, 1952, reflects a factional situation exists in the national office of the CP, USA, in New York, as noted in my letter to the Bureau, March 25, 1952, captioned, "COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - TOPLEV; INTERNAL SECURITY - C";

[ ] Informant advised that a group, including HARRY HAYWOOD, LEON JOSEPHSON and WILLIAM WEINSTONE, among others, opposed the present policies of the current leadership in the CP, USA. This group, while not necessarily favoring the return of BROWDER, was stated by [ ] to favor generally the policies associated with BROWDER: More open, legal type of organization, as opposed to the present underground, conspiratorial manner of operation. Nothing has been said by informant which would base the principal point of disagreement on the factor of white chauvinism, however; although informant did note that PETTIS PERRY was identified with the current leadership of the Party. b7D

WILLIAM ALBERTSON

[ ] and [ ] have all indicated that FRANCINE ALBERTSON has, at various times, had differences with other women in the Party, including HELEN ALLISON, Administrative Secretary of the Michigan Communist Party and wife of CARL WINTER, State Chairman. [ ] indicated during August, 1951 that FRANCINE ALBERTSON was then having differences with ART McPHAIL, of the Michigan Civil Rights Congress, and SAUL GROSSMAN, of the Michigan Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, over the matter of WILLIAM ALBERTSON's bail. She questioned whether sufficient action was being taken by CPC in this matter and felt that she and her two sons had been overlooked as sources of assistance. b7D

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cc - 1- New York (100-4931) Info  
1- Chicago (100-2398)

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wanted to send her boys to New York, allegedly to tap wealthy sources there for bail funds. It is noted McPAUL subsequently gave PETER ALBERTSON, one of the sons, money for travel to New York.

FRANCINE ALBERTSON's file reflects only contacts with top Michigan CP leaders in connection with her efforts to reduce ALBERTSON's bail.

On January 10, 1952 [ ] reported FRANCINE ALBERTSON was in New York City. Previous information from informant reflected she was, during 1951, receiving medication and possibly consulting a doctor in New York City. In March, 1951 [ ] reported she was suffering from an unknown disease; however, [ ] related on November 6, 1951 that it was fever caused by arthritis. Her file fails to reflect FRANCINE ever consulted a psychiatrist. b7D

Little or no Party activity on FRANCINE's part is shown since October, 1951 although in November, 1951 she was listed as being a member of the Women's Commission, District Seven, CP. [ ] learned on July 30, 1952 that FRANCINE was being brought up for expulsion on charges of 1) White Chauvinism; 2) Feminism. [ ] recently acquired information from a reliable source reflecting FRANCINE "walked out" of the Communist Party on the occasion when she visited New York City shortly following ALBERTSON's apprehension. Details were not obtained by informant; however, it appeared FRANCINE had voluntarily left the Party. ALBERTSON was quoted as having recently stated that his greatest chagrin was his wife's leaving the Party. b7D

Available information reflects nothing but a close husband-wife relationship between FRANCINE and BILL ALBERTSON, with nothing to indicate a separation is contemplated.

LEON JOSEPHSON

Information regarding JOSEPHSON's feelings against the present Communist leadership are set forth above under the caption "Factionalism".



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August 14, 1952

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

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RUDY BAKER

[ ] has advised that BAKER served as Organizer of District Seven, CP, in 1931 and 1932, following which he mysteriously disappeared. Informant stated he is believed to have gone to New York from Detroit and did not turn up again until he appeared in Marshal Tito's cabinet in Yugoslavia.

SAC, New York

August 18, 1952

Director, FBI

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CG 5824-S

Re Chicago let August 6, 1952, requesting the Bureau to advise the New York Division as to whether the present situation concerning the informant should be discussed with his brother, NY 694-S, if and when an inquiry is made by the brother.

For the confidential information of the New York Division, since the date of referenced letter all financial problems presented by CG 5824-S have been resolved to his satisfaction.

It does not appear that it is now necessary to discuss the financial situation of CG 5824-S with his brother, NY 694-S, as apparently the Chicago informant is fully satisfied with the arrangement and will have no reason to advise the brother in New York of any loss of income.

2 cc: Chicago (66-4216)

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TO : SAC

DATE: August 20, 1952

FROM : SA ROBERT J. WILSON

SUBJECT: CG-5824-S

DETAILS: Per prior arrangement with the captioned informant, this will certify that the amount of \$400 in cash was paid to Miss SYLVIA SCHLOSSBERG at 10:50 A.M. on August 15, 1952, in the lobby of the Insurance Exchange Building, 175 West Jackson, Chicago, Illinois. This payment covered services rendered by the informant during the period August 1 through August 14, 1952. SA JOHN W. T. MEDAIRY witnessed the placing of twenty \$20 bills in an envelope and the sealing of the envelope by the writer. SA MEDAIRY also discreetly witnessed the passage of this envelope to Miss SCHLOSSBERG by the writer.

No receipt was obtained for security reasons.

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SAC, Minneapolis

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Re Chicago let August 6, 1952.

In order to protect the informant it is not believed that any contact at this time should be made with Dr. C. H. Watkins.

The Minneapolis Division is requested to advise whether in a routine manner it is possible to review the case file of the informant at the Mayo Clinic without in any way arousing interest or suspicion on the part of anyone at the Clinic.

2 cc: Chicago (66-4216)

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Rebulet Chicago, copy New York, June 25th last, entitled "Communist Party, U.S.A., Toplev, IS - C," concerning captioned informant and authorizing New York to advance NY 694-S the sum of \$450 to be sent to CG 5824-S for use in connection with contemplated clinical study.

There is enclosed herewith a check in the amount of \$132.63. This amount is the difference between the advance of \$450 and the expense report by the informant in connection with this trip in the amount of \$317.37.

The following itemized account of expenses was furnished by the informant and where receipts were available they were examined at the time the itemization was made and are being retained by the informant.

Train fare, first class, with seat and tax, Chicago to Rochester, Minnesota.	\$ 19.42
Cab fare, residence to railroad station, Chicago.	3.50
Cab fare, railroad station, Rochester to hotel.	.75
Clinical expense	165.00
Subsidiary medical expense (bandages, etc.)	5.00
Hotel room, 8 days	48.00
Meals	48.00
Plane fare, Rochester to Chicago.	21.85

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cc:1-New York (66-6505) (REGISTERED)

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RE: CG 5824-S

Cab fare, airport, Rochester	\$ .75
Cab fare, airport to residence, Chicago	1.60
Miscellaneous expense including tips	<u>3.50</u>
Total expense	317.37
Amount advanced by New York	450.00
Unused amount being returned to Bureau	\$132.63

It is noted that the informant used a train for transportation to Rochester, but returned by plane. The informant advised that this mode of transportation was used on return trip due to the fact that the railroad trip was long and affected him physically and further because the train schedule for the return trip did not fit in to his time schedule and if taken would have required him to remain at Rochester an additional night.

The above information is submitted to New York for information purposes.

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TO : SAC

FROM : SA CARL N. FREYMAN

SUBJECT: CG 5824-S

DATE: August 14, 1952

On July 28th last the informant was contacted by the writer, at which time he advised that he regularly read the following periodicals and exhibited literature obtained during the past week from the Modern Book Store:

Non-Communist Literature Regularly Read

"Chicago Tribune"  
 "Chicago Sun-Times"  
 "Chicago Daily News"  
 "Chicago Journal American"  
 "New York Times"  
 "The Compass"  
 "The Nation"  
 "The New Republic"  
 "Consumer's Report"

CP Literature Purchased Previous Week

"Daily Worker"  
 "Political Affairs"  
 "Masses and Mainstream"  
 "For a Lasting Peace for People's Democracy"  
 Book entitled "All Quiet in Kremlin" by  
 GEORGE MARION  
 Book entitled "Fathers and Sons" by IVAN  
 TURGENEV, published by the Foreign Language  
 Publishing House, Moscow.  
 Publication "News," published by Trad.  
 Magazine "March of Labor"  
 Publication "World Trade Union Movement"  
 "Jewish Life"  
 "USSR Information Bulletin"  
 "Science and Society" (a quarterly)  
 "New Times"  
 Pamphlet entitled "Science and Religion"  
 by CACHIN.  
 Pamphlet entitled "Inner Party Struggle"  
 by LIU SHAO-CHI.  
 Pamphlet entitled "Some Problems of Method"  
 by I. V. MICHURIN, published by Foreign  
 Language Publishing House, Moscow, 1951  
 Pamphlet entitled "Friends and Foes"  
 KAY SIMONOV, published 1948, Russia.

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Pamphlet entitled "German American"  
published by the German American Independent  
Publishing Company.  
Pamphlet entitled "New Challenge"  
Magazine "Freedom"  
Magazine entitled "Voks" - 1951 (USSR  
Cultural Bulletin).  
"Democratic German Report"  
"Latin American Facts"  
"The Polish Embassy Release"  
"Romanian News"  
A newsletter entitled "Spotlight on Africa"  
The book "Sparticus" by HOWARD FAST

The above is furnished for information and is evidence of the  
scope of the informant's reading, which he says consumes  
approximately six hours per day.



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

FROM : SA CARL N. FREYMAN

SUBJECT: CG 5824-S

DATE: August 14, 1952

On June 24, 1952, SAC JOHN F. MALONE, accompanied by SA JOSEPH P. MC MAHON and the writer, met the informant for the purpose of the SAC's personally assuring the informant that the information he was furnishing was being treated so as to afford him the utmost security protection. He was also assured that he would not be exposed in a "trivial case" nor in an "important case" where his continued value would outweigh the value of possible exposure.

The matters of security, informant's financial troubles, and the possible necessity of the purchase of an automobile to make the informant more mobile were discussed. The SAC assured the informant that matters discussed would be given full consideration.

Following the interview, the informant expressed pleasure at the meeting with the SAC and also assured the agent of his full co-operation in connection with the program outlined in past conversations.

On June 27, 1952, the informant advised that he had a one-party telephone line installed in his residence under the name of SYLVIA SCHLOSSBERG. His phone number has been Vincennes 6-2985.

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Train fare. 1st Cl. w. Port.	19.42
Lab. fare.	3.50
Lab. fare Rochester	1.75
Clevie Exp.	16.50
Subsiding Med. Exp.	5.00
Hotel 6- x 8-	48.00
Food 8 days @ 6-	48.00
Rent. Roch.	21.85
Lab to airport	7.50
Lab. airport to Res.	1.50
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- ☐ Mr. McMahon
- ☐ Mr. Murphy
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OFFER INFORMANT EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS PER MONTH TO BE UTILIZED  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR RECOMMENDATION. THIS AUTHORITY MAY  
BE CONSIDERED EFFECTIVE AUGUST ONE LAST FOR PERIOD OF THREE  
MONTHS. NO ACCOUNTING FOR BY INFORMANT FOR FUNDS NEED BE MADE,  
HOWEVER YOUR OFFICE SHOULD SUBMIT BIWEEKLY REPORT OF PROGRESS  
MADE BY INFORMANT. KEEP BUREAU FULLY ADVISED REGARDING INFORMANTS  
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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

August 6, 1952

SAC, CHICAGO (66-4216)

CG 5824-S

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Re Chicago tel to Director and Minneapolis 7/8 last, and Minneapolis tel to Chicago 7/9 last concerning arrangements made for captioned informant to undergo clinical survey at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

For the information of Minneapolis, the informant, using his true name, entered the Mayo Clinic as scheduled and underwent a thorough clinical study of his case. Since he had made up his mind not to refer the results of the conclusions reached as a result of the study to a Party doctor in Chicago, the informant was unable to furnish this office with the results of the study.

The informant, however, has orally advised that the consulting specialist, Dr. C. H. WATKINS, had found a general improvement in informant's heart condition and had advised informant that he could do light work, consistent with his knowledge of his own physical capacity. He was also advised that if he cared for himself there was good reason to believe that he might have a normal life expectancy. He was told that his general condition is such that there are no complicating factors in his condition at the present time. Informant's case file at Mayo is 1-869-157.

This office is desirous of obtaining a firsthand report from Mayo Clinic to verify the informant's oral report, if such can be obtained by the Minneapolis Division on a strictly confidential basis without in any way jeopardizing the confidential nature of the relationship existing between the Bureau and Informant. Minneapolis is therefore requested, if confidential contacts are available at Mayo, or better still, if Dr. WATKINS can be contacted, to interview such person and obtain a full and detailed confidential report for the information of the Bureau and the Chicago Division.

The Bureau is requested to advise Minneapolis whether or not such contact is desired, if confidential contacts are available at the Mayo Clinic.

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cc: Minneapolis-2 (RM)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

August 6, 1952

SAC, CHICAGO (66-4216)

CG 5824-S

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Re Chicago let to the Director 8/4 last.

The Bureau is aware of the relation between the captioned informant and NY 694-S of the New York Office. In order to prevent possible misunderstanding as a result of certain events which have occurred in the relation between CG 5824-S and the Bureau, the following information is being submitted to the New York Office so that New York can be advised of the facts for use in connection with any future discussions with NY 694-S.

From July 28 to July 31 last, CG 5824-S indicated certain dissatisfaction with financial arrangements between him and the Bureau, and was particularly concerned, in addition, with certain conclusions which he had made with regard to his relationship with the Bureau; to wit, that he was now being considered as a "mercenary" rather than being motivated in cooperating with the Bureau because of an ideological conviction that he was engaged in a fight to deal an effective blow against the "Soviet conspiracy."

Other points raised by the informant were that it was his opinion that his personal security was not being fully given him, and he also raised the point that required itemizations of certain expense accounts indicated a lack of good faith and understanding in him. The informant also made the point that under present financial arrangements he could not see a solution to his large indebtedness problem, and for that reason monetary worries were causing him mental anguish and diverting his wholehearted efforts in cooperation with the Bureau concerning his fight against Communism.

One of the points made with regard to the matter of personal security was that since he felt that the availability of a car would greatly aid his personal security requirements, and since authorization for such expenditure had been denied, he felt this denial was indicative of a lack of faith in both his integrity and his potential.

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cc: 2-New York (RM)

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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The big point, however, raised by this informant was that he felt he was being considered in the category of an ordinary "informant", when he in fact was motivated in cooperating for ideological reasons only.

As a result of these discussions the informant advised that he felt the only way to convince all persons concerned of his true motivation was for him to abrogate all financial arrangements previously agreed to and to agree to work on a voluntary basis. He pledged himself to continued cooperation with the Bureau even to the extent of reactivation. He said that inasmuch as he would now be required to earn a livelihood through private employment it was possible that the extent of his cooperation might be curtailed somewhat. At the present time this informant is still cooperating with the Chicago Office and he appears to be friendly and anxious to fulfill his previous commitments to the Bureau.

The above details are submitted for the information of the New York Office in order that New York will be fully cognizant of the facts as they presently exist in connection with any inquiries that might possibly be made by NY 694-S.

The Bureau is requested to advise New York as to whether it approves discussing the matter with the New York informant in the manner outlined if and when an inquiry is made. In that connection, CG 5824-S has advised that NY 694-S is now vacationing but is expected to return to New York City on or about August 10 next. It is believed that CG 5824-S will undoubtedly advise NY 694-S of his loss of income, being dependent to a large extent on NY 694-S for support, and will, of course, give his reasons for the abrogation of the previous agreement between him and the Bureau.

Authority of the Bureau is also requested for New York to advise NY 694-S that all phases of the problems raised by CG 5824-S are presently being explored, looking forward to a solution that might be agreeable to all parties concerned.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago (66-4216)

DATE: July 23, 1952

FROM : Director, FBI

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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INTERNAL SECURITY (C)  
Bufile 100-3-99CG-5824-S  
Bufile 61-7665

Reurlet July 16, 1952.

While you have indicated that pertinent portions of the information in that letter are being furnished separately to the New York Office, a copy of urlet is transmitted herewith to New York in order that the information will be available to New York in integrated form. It is felt that the data reflected therein relating to internal Communist dissension and expulsions may be highly significant in your consideration of persons who might be amenable to contact by the Bureau under the Toplev program. It may also be of value in determining an avenue of approach to such persons. Any use thereof should, of course, be in such manner as to avoid the risk that CG-5824-S will be exposed as the source.

You inquired on pages 9 and 14 of relet concerning the desirability of having the informant visit his son in New York in August 1952 and attempt to contact Party leaders, including William Z. Foster, at that time. The Bureau perceives no objection to this course provided proper arrangements can be effected so that the contacts will appear to be natural and the actions of the informant not overly anxious.

You are authorized to furnish CG-5824-S funds for reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in connection with his trip to New York in August 1952. It is essential, however, that you furnish the Bureau prior to his departure an estimate of the time he will spend in New York and the amount of the anticipated expenses he will incur.

Inasmuch as this communication involves a Toplev informant, it should be ~~confidentially~~ handled and appropriate security restrictions exercised in your

cc - 2 - New York (w/enclosure)

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IF SUCH INFO CAME TO ATTENTION OF CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR  
DASH S, WHO IS PRESENTLY BEING HANDLED BY THIS OFFICE, IT  
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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago (66-4216)  
FROM : Director, FBI (61-7665)  
SUBJECT: CG-5824-S

DATE: July 14, 1952

Reurmemo 7/2/52.

The Bureau agrees that the above symbol number should have been used, but in the interest of not calling undue attention to the informant's identity, no corrected pages will be submitted to the various offices which received copies of the previous memorandum.

See serial 57

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

September 22, 1952

SAC, CHICAGO (66-4216)

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CG 5824-S

Re Chicago letter to the Director 9/4 last and Bulet to Chicago 9/3 last.

The following is submitted concerning the efforts of the captioned informant to reactivate himself in the leadership of the CP during the period September 1 through September 15, 1952, as per Bureau request. Referenced Bulet of 9/3 last requested a discreet contact with the informant to identify the courier used by him in sending a letter to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER through WILLIAM WEINER, and in addition to identify the New York contact used by the courier in contacting WILLIAM WEINER.

For the information of the Bureau, the informant advised on August 1, 1952, that he had given the letter to be ultimately delivered to FOSTER to his close friend HARRY MILLER of Chicago who, informant had learned, was making a trip East on personal business. The informant advised that MILLER consented to attempt to deliver this letter, as a personal favor to informant, to STANLEY LEVINSON who informant was certain could make the delivery to WEINER. Informant advised he was indefinite as to the identity of LEVINSON because he was not certain that MILLER could locate LEVINSON. LEVINSON, according to informant, succeeded NY 694-S in 1948 in working with WILLIAM WEINER.

It is emphasized that the informant did not conceal the identities of these individuals, and in fact, with regard to MILLER, has kept this office constantly advised concerning his, the informant's, use of MILLER in connection with reactivation efforts. It is believed that the informant on August 1 did not further identify the individual in New York whom he had instructed MILLER to deliver the letter to because he was not certain that MILLER could in fact locate LEVINSON and may have possibly furnished MILLER with alternate plans for delivery of the letter.

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cc: 1-New York (Registered)

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*John C. B. Post John*

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: CG 5824-S

In connection with the information furnished by the informant concerning MILLER, this office has taken appropriate steps to verify MILLER's contacts with such persons as LEON KATZEN, Financial Secretary of District #8, now underground, as well as to determine whether or not MILLER may be presently used as a courier between District #8 and the National Office. Due to the close personal relationship between informant and MILLER, it is believed desirable at this time to be as discreet as possible in determining the extent of MILLER's activities. Consideration accordingly is being given the matter of requesting Bureau authority to institute a TESUR on MILLER.

In connection with efforts being made by the informant to re-activate, CG 5824-S advised that on September 6 last SAM HAMMERSMARK, a charter member of the Communist Party and presently the proprietor of the Modern Book Store, CP outlet for literature in the Chicago area, visited him for several hours. Of more interest than the information received from HAMMERSMARK by the informant is that HAMMERSMARK told the informant that prior to his, HAMMERSMARK's, visiting of the informant he had asked CARL HIRSCH, Illinois editor of the "Daily Worker", whether or not the informant "is kosher and can or should be seen." HAMMERSMARK reportedly told the informant that HIRSCH laughingly replied, "Certainly you should see him - by all means."

The significance of the HAMMERSMARK contact is also pointed out because HAMMERSMARK, in his position as proprietor of the Modern Book Store, is in frequent contact with all CP leaders presently in the Chicago area, as well as with LILLIAN GREEN, wife of GIL GREEN, and he, HAMMERSMARK, operates as more or less of a newspaper for gossip among comrades. It is therefore thought that the word that the informant is again seeing people will be further spread among Party leaders, and additional contacts with informant by Party leaders might be expected as a result of the HAMMERSMARK visit.

On September 8, 9, and 10 the informant was again the host at his home to MARCEL and LENA SCHERER of New York who were enroute from the West Coast to their home in New York. The informant obtained considerable valuable information concerning personalities in the leadership on the West Coast, but the significance of the SCHERER visit insofar as reactivation is concerned lies in the fact that they, the SCHERERS, will undoubtedly contact individuals in New York, reporting on informant's health and on his desire to again do his part in connection with Party work.

DIRECTOR, FBI

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On September 4, 1952, DAVID ENGLESTEIN, former Education Director of District #8, CP, who has been in the Party underground for approximately two years and who recently returned to his home, made a trip to New York and returned on September 9 last. ENGLESTEIN's exact activities while in New York are not known at this time, but New York has advised that he was in attendance at a closed CP meeting in New York.

On September 12 last the informant advised that SYLVIA SCHLOSSBERG, informant's fiancée, with whom he is now residing, made her semiweekly trip to the Modern Book Store to obtain Party literature for the informant. As she was speaking to SAM HAMMERSMARK concerning literature, DAVID ENGLESTEIN, who had not previously been observed by SCHLOSSBERG, approached SCHLOSSBERG and greeted her cordially. In the conversation that followed, ENGLESTEIN asked about the informant and sent his personal greetings to the informant as well as copies of certain Russian literature which he desired informant to read. ENGLESTEIN told SCHLOSSBERG that he also had been assigned to duty as the Publicity Director of District #8 and was in the process of setting up his organization. He told her to tell the informant that he would see informant as soon as he is organized, within the next few weeks, and desired to discuss certain matters with him.

This contact is believed significant, first because of ENGLESTEIN's recent trip to New York, and secondly because if the Party leadership was hostile to informant, this fact would undoubtedly be known to ENGLESTEIN.

The informant was contacted on September 12, 1952, and advised that he has not yet been contacted by "the important person" mentioned by WILLIAM WEINER as possibly contacting the informant within four or five weeks subsequent to the first week in August last. Informant said that he still expected the contact, explaining that in times such as these a week or two is of little significance in connection with Party work, the significant thing being the "friendly message from WEINER." The informant nevertheless advised that in order to possibly improve his relations with WILLIAM WEINER, and indirectly with FOSTER, he, the informant, has instructed NY 694-S, by letter during the week of September 8 last, to call WILLIAM WEINER with a personal message of regard from the informant and also to thank WEINER for his, WEINER's, offer of financial help to informant. Informant has instructed

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NY 694-S to use his own judgment as to whether he, NY 694-S, should mention informant's need for financial assistance from the CP. The informant also instructed NY 694-S, by letter, to mention to WEINER that he, CG 5824-S, may, if his health permits, come to New York with informant's father to see an eye specialist previously used by NY 694-S in connection with the treatment of NY 694-S's son who was ill of cancer of the eye.

On the latter matter the informant believes he can lay a cover to explain a future trip to New York because the informant's father's eye condition is known to Party leaders here and it is a fact that informant's father is presently facing an operation for removal of an eye. The real purpose of any trip to New York by the informant would of course be to afford the informant the opportunity to see WEINER and possibly FOSTER and others and to speed reactivation.

It is noted that NY 694-S was to call WEINER as per the instructions of CG 5824-S. The Chicago informant advised that WEINER and NY 694-S were the closest of friends and worked together in connection with Party finance activities for many years prior to 1948, and it is informant's opinion that if NY 694-S follows the above recommendations it is possible that NY 694-S may also increase his activity in New York where he formerly had high placed connections.

#### EVALUATION AND CONTEMPLATED PLANS

The informant continues to cooperate and to give every indication that he is intending to fulfill all commitments to the Bureau. He continually stresses that during the present period "patience so as not to overstep one's hand" should remain as a primary concern in connection with his reactivation efforts.

It is believed possible that while results to date have not led to the location of the COMFUGS, nevertheless the contacts of informant appear to indicate that this informant has a definite possibility of developing into a high placed informant who may in the future come into possession of the necessary information.

The intended contact of ENGLESTEIN with the informant is believed to be of particular significance inasmuch as he appears to have been designated to head "Open Party Activities" in District #8,

DIRECTOR, FBI

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and also because he, ENGLESTEIN, may, by virtue of his recent trip to New York, have been designated by the National Office as the "important person" who was to contact informant.

Informant continues to additionally furnish information in his possession concerning past activities of CP leaders and members. For security reasons, personal contacts with informant are continuing on a limited scale and the informant's information regarding past activities is being obtained as rapidly as possible, keeping in mind that security and reactivation are the primary objectives in the handling of informant.

Concerning future plans to reactivate this informant, the Bureau has been previously advised and authorized a trip by the informant to New York whenever feasible providing proper cover could be laid. No immediate plans have been made until such time as the informant has had contacts with either "the important person" referred to by WEINER or with local Party officials such as ENGLESTEIN so that he might have some indication as to the intentions of the Party toward the type of activity he might engage in in the future. If such trip is deemed desirable, the Bureau will again be advised and full details will be given prior to the informant's departure from Chicago.

On September 12, 1952, the informant was advised that he had received a message from the wife of JACK KLING, national functionary of the Party, now underground, to the effect that she, SUE KLING, would see the informant during the coming Jewish holidays in September. JACK and SUE KLING are close personal friends of the informant and it is hoped that SUE KLING will furnish some information concerning the whereabouts and activities of JACK KLING, or better still, might convey a message to JACK KLING to the effect that the informant desires to see him.

No contacts have been had with LEON KATZEN since July 24 last although the informant has been in contact with HARRY MILLER, his third Party contact with KATZEN, and there are indications that KATZEN will visit the informant in the immediate future.

It is believed that the informant has made good progress in connection with reactivation activities during the past two weeks; however, in conformance with informant's recommendations, each contact is being made with caution and the messages submitted are being "waited out" so as not to lead Party people to suspect the informant's motivation.

DIRECTOR, FBI

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The Bureau will be advised of all significant developments and contacts either in the form of a progress letter each two weeks or as the developments occur if they are deemed of high importance.

One copy of this letter is being designated for the information of New York in view of the information contained herein concerning NY 694-S and also because of the information concerning STANLEY LEVINSON used by the informant to reach WILLIAM WEINER, and because of the information contained concerning the contact of MARCEL and LENA SCHERER. In the latter connection New York will be furnished with a detailed letter concerning the information on the SCHERERS' visit.



Director, FBI (61-7665)

October 3, 1952

*jm* SAC, Chicago (134-46)

CG-5824-S

Re SAC letter dated 7/25/52 in reference to the obtaining of signed statements of voluntary cooperation with the Bureau from all confidential national defense informants.

Consideration has been given to the obtaining of such a statement from the captioned informant; however, it is felt that an approach to this informant at the present time to obtain such a statement is unadvisable.

It will be recalled that in July and August, the informant expressed reluctance to sign his name to any documents for reason of security. A subsequent agreement was worked out with the informant on authorization from the Bureau to the effect that the informant would not be asked to account for expenses and a pledge was given that his security was of prime importance to the Bureau. Since that time, the informant has signed receipts for salary under a code name but has been reluctant to do so each time, stressing the importance of security. The informant has advised that he realizes the necessity for the Bureau's accounting for money but has asked that any request wherein he would either have to write material or sign his name to a document should be kept to a minimum.

On the matter of the statement required in referenced SAC letter, the informant has orally pledged his full cooperation on all matters requested in referenced SAC letter, with the sole qualification being that he will cooperate with the Bureau so long as he feels that his objective, that is the defeat of the CP, USA leadership and Russian leadership, was also the objective of the Bureau. The informant has additionally frequently expressed his desire of a long time relationship with the Bureau on a confidential basis. He has cooperated with the Bureau on all commitments to date.

In view of the above and until it is felt advisable, no statement is being solicited from this informant at the present time.

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Director, FBI (61-7665)

October 6, 1952

SAC, Chicago (134-46)

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CG-5824-S

From time to time during the past several months, CG-5824-S has raised the question as to how he can report with security his income from the Bureau.

The informant has been advised of the method employed by the Bureau but feels that if he should report his income under his true identity from any source other than the CP, his name is so well known that the possibility exists that such report will come to the attention of the CP. Informant has pointed out that he has no other source of income other than that being received from the Bureau and that he wishes to comply with the internal revenue laws.

While it is recognized that the responsibility for filing tax returns for Internal Revenue is a personal matter, it is nevertheless felt that in view of informant's great potential service to the Bureau efforts should be made to help the informant in this matter by way of suggesting a manner in which he might report income and at the same time be afforded with maximum security.

It is felt that the Internal Revenue Department might be in a position to suggest ways and means for the informant's reporting of income through the use of an anonymous name, with the informant retaining a copy of his report to prove that he is identical with the individual who reported income, in the event he is ever approached by the Revenue people.

The Bureau is therefore requested to offer any suggestions in this matter which might be used by informant in order that he might comply with the law by filing an income tax return and at the same time not reveal his identity or the source of his income.

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Director, FBI (61-7665)

October 6, 1952

SAC, Chicago (134-46)

CG-5824-S

Re Chicago letter dated 9/22/52.

As per Bureau instruction, the following summary is submitted concerning informant's reactivation efforts during the period September 16, 1952 through September 30, 1952.

On September 18, 1952, informant was contacted by PHIL KOSSOFF (Bufile 100-29331), formerly a prominent District Number 8 Communist Party functionary, who has been relatively inactive for the past two years. KOSSOFF visited informant to advise that he had attended the recent CP election conference of September 5 and 6 in New York on orders of the CP and has now been ordered by the Party to open activity on the Chicago North Side. KOSSOFF additionally advised the informant that he is now the organizer of the professional CP group in Chicago. KOSSOFF sought informant's political advice concerning CP election work and also discussed personal matters. He also named DAVID ENGLESTEIN and DIANNE VOGEL as having attended the above conference and as having been designated for open Party work. KOSSOFF has been a close friend of informant and has always relied on informant heavily for political and personal advice. Informant additionally obtained considerable information concerning the status and activity of some other leading District Number 8 CP functionaries. KOSSOFF, upon leaving the informant, stated that he would keep in contact with the informant and see him in the near future.

On September 20, 1952, SUE KLING, wife of JACK KLING, former National Treasurer of the CP, now underground, spent two hours with the informant. This was the first contact of the informant with SUE KLING in approximately one year and a considerable part of the time was spent in social conversation and in discussions of her personal problems as a result of her husband's underground activities. She told informant she has not seen JACK KLING in recent months but had been told that he had recovered following an automobile accident. She told the informant she regularly sees the wife of GIL GREEN and the wife of FRED FINE, CP fugitives, and had visited with PEGGY DENNIS on the previous evening. She furnished no information concerning the whereabouts of the Smith Act fugitives and it was the informant's opinion as a result of this conversation that the wives of Smith Act subjects do not know their whereabouts. Informant expects to retain this contact with the hope that sooner or later he will be visited by JACK KLING.

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1 cc: New York (REGISTERED)

*C.C.O. [Signature]*

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Director, FBI

RE: CG-5824-S

The conversation with SUE KLING on September 20, 1952, was perhaps not on as intimate a basis as it could have been because of the presence at the informant's residence at the same time of MILTON and SUE COHEN, prominent Communists in the Chicago area. No important information was developed from the COHENs during the meeting with them, other than that SUE COHEN told informant she had been instructed by the Party to limit her Party contacts to three persons. SUE COHEN was formerly the Office Secretary of District Number 8 and is acquainted with all CP functionaries at a local and national level.

On September 26, the informant was visited by STANLEY LEVINSON of New York, who is presently an assistant on financial matters to WILLIAM WEINER of the National Office of the Party. LEVINSON arrived in the evening in the company of HARRY MILLER, informant's contact in the Chicago area, and spent about four hours with the informant. Prior to LEVINSON's visit during that evening, LEON KATZEN, Financial Secretary of District Eight, now underground, had also arrived at informant's house and KATZEN remained during LEVINSON's visit.

Informant was told by LEVINSON that WILLIAM WEINER had intended to make a personal contact with informant but due to illness was unable to make the trip and had delegated LEVINSON to see the informant. He conveyed a personal message from WEINER and told the informant that his, the informant's note of the first part of August had been delivered to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. He told the informant to be patient in expecting a reply from FOSTER as he was busy and replies must be carried to informant rather than sent by mail.

LEVINSON then told the informant that WEINER was glad to hear the informant's physical condition is improved and was shocked to hear informant was not being cared for financially by District Eight. LEVINSON then asked the informant for an explanation as to why he, the informant, had broken contact with the National Office. Informant advised he was able to reply by stating he was sick and believed the Party had deserted him. It was finally decided that the informant had not received financial aid from the Party due to a misunderstanding by the national office and the District as to who was responsible and informant stated he believed his answers to LEVINSON were satisfactory.

LEVINSON returned to the informant's residence on September 28, 1952 and was again friendly. The conversation between the informant and LEVINSON covered political problems of the Party in the main; however, LEVINSON told the informant that messages to New York must be sent personally and that he would convey any requests or messages from the informant to WEINER. He also told the informant that if the informant desired, WEINER had offered to send the informant literature from New York to the informant's residence to alleviate this expenditure. Informant declined this offer because as he told LEVINSON, he thought his security would be involved and also because he, the informant, could arrange for literature by personal

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delivery through Chicago contacts. Concerning any messages to WEINER, the informant told LEVINSON that he would write WEINER a note and would send it during the following week. (HARRY MILLER is making a business trip east during the coming week and informant contemplates sending the message with MILLER to WEINER).

LEVINSON indicated he expected to leave Chicago presumably for New York on September 29, 1952. [ ] drove LEVINSON to the Chicago Loop but was unable to furnish information as to where he was staying or contacts because LEVINSON requested her to drop him on the street in the Chicago Loop.

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Concerning the visit of KATZEN on September 26, 1952, informant was advised that he, KATZEN, had been designated to keep the informant informed and to seek his advice on general political questions in the District. KATZEN advised the informant that he had arranged with AL RUBIO of the Modern Bookstore to obtain a discount on literature for the informant. He next briefed the informant on security measures, cautioning him not to use the telephone and to have all messages delivered personally. He further advised the informant that in view of the recent arrests, Party meetings (presumably functionary meetings) had been cancelled and previous meeting places were being changed for new ones. He discussed finances, political questions, the effect of the International Harvester strike upon the Party, personnel problems, and Party plans concerning changes in the form of the Party Publication the "Forum." The entire meeting was an extremely friendly one and KATZEN told informant he would keep in contact with him.

#### Evaluation and Contemplated Plan

Informant advised on September 30, 1952, that he is well satisfied with his progress to date in the reactivation program. He emphasized that in all his conversations with functionaries to date, they have stressed the difficulty of communications and of receiving orders from higher-ups due to security precautions of the Party. Informant advised that for that reason "patience" must be the guiding rule concerning his reactivation.

Informant, in explaining his position, emphasized that in Party circles he is still under the control of the National Office and that District Eight officials have no authority to give him assignments. Under these circumstances, according to the informant, the District officials will not give him assignments until they receive National Office orders to do so. This rule is followed by the Party in view of the fact that the National Office may have special assignments for the informant in mind, such as apparatus work and for the local District to give him assignments without authority from the National Office might jeopardize the informant's security.

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It is believed that the LEVINSON contact was exploratory insofar as the National Office was concerned to determine first, the condition of the informant's health and secondly to obtain the informant's explanation as to why he has not been in contact with the National Office over an extended period of time. The informant is of the opinion that LEVINSON was satisfied with the answers and will report directly to WEINER, who in turn will report to FOSTER. Since WEINER originally planned to personally see the informant, the informant is of the opinion that LEVINSON as a delegate for WEINER was the "important contact" that WEINER had in mind in his message in early August of this year.

Concerning the contemplated plans in connection with the reactivation program of the informant, it will be noted that the informant has previously stated that it is his opinion that any specific assignments for him must emanate from the National Office. He is, therefore, following up the LEVINSON contact by addressing a message to WILLIAM WEINER to be delivered by HARRY MILLER during the week of October 6, 1952. In this letter, informant plans to lay the ground work for a renewal of his close friendship with WEINER and also for a possible trip to New York within the next two months. The cover, according to the informant, will be that the informant desires to contact an eye specialist previously used by NY-694-S in connection with the eye treatment of NY-694-S' son. Informant has also instructed NY-694-S to contact WEINER and he has stated he will do so as soon as possible.

On September 30, 1952, informant advised that now that KATZEN has told him that he, KATZEN, has been designated as the informant's contact, he should not, at this time, attempt on his own initiative to enlarge his contacts among officials in District Eight.

Informant has been advised that DAVID ENGLESTEIN, Publicity Director of District Eight, formerly underground, will visit him in the near future. Informant is quite certain that some underground information will be obtained from ENGLESTEIN.

On the same date, the informant also advised that now that he is certain the Party regards him in the same light as previously, he believes that on the occasion of KATZEN's next visit, he can safely mention his desire to see certain underground functionaries such as CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, reportedly a CP underground leader of District Eight, or possibly PHIL BART or JACK KLING.

The primary emphasis in developing this informant continues to be placed on attempts to reactivate the informant at as high a level in the CP apparatus as possible. With that in mind, efforts are being made to re-establish informant's national contacts with such people as WEINER and FOSTER. Informant continually stresses that "patience" is necessary because of the disorganization of the CP and for that reason and because this office places credence in informant's judgment, this policy will be

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followed. The informant, therefore, will make no attempt for the present at least, to enlarge his local contacts and he will await developments from New York.

Secondary emphasis will continue to be placed on the matter of interviewing the informant with regard to his knowledge of past activities of the CP and the CP leaders and in that connection stress will be placed on covering points of major interest to the Bureau.

The informant continues regular correspondence with LENA and MARCEL SCHERER, MARTIN YOUNG, and BILL LAWRENCE, all of New York, and all of whom were at one time national functionaries of the CP.

#### Condition of Informant's Health

It is believed that the above summary on informant's activities reflects the great amount of time the informant is devoting to his pledge to assist the Bureau. In that connection, in addition to the contacts above referred to, informant finds it necessary to devote many hours each day for reading publications in order that questions presented to him by Party leaders who seek his advice may be correctly answered. This extensive activity has somewhat impaired the progress of possible further improvement of the informant's health. However, the informant continues to see people and to see the Agent whenever necessary and on the occasion of interviews with the Agent has worked closely and furnished information for periods of from five to seven hours.

This office is closely watching the informant's health in an effort to avoid any possible relapse in the hope that by careful consideration for his health, the informant's health will in fact improve.

Due to the increased contacts of the informant with Party functionaries who generally come at night and remain until the early morning hours, it is now believed necessary to restrict Agent contacts with the informant both for reasons of security and for reasons of health. Hereafter, this office has agreed with the informant to meet him on an average of once a week or oftener, if security prevails, and if the informant's health permits. Efforts will be made in the interests of health to keep the length of the meetings of Agent with the informant to a minimum, it being the opinion of this office that the informant's strength should be conserved to the greatest possible extent so that the concentration will be on his efforts to reactivate rather than on the interview of the informant on past activities and contacts within the Party.

#### New York Lead

The informant has previously instructed NY-694-S to personally contact WILLIAM WEINER in an effort to assist in renewing the close personal friendship between CG-5824-S and WEINER. The informant advises that NY-

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694-S in his last letter to the Chicago informant advised that he had been unable to contact WEINER to date but that he would continue his efforts and expected to see him in the near future.

The informant has requested that NY-694-S be advised of LEVINSON's visit and in general of the line of conversation with LEVINSON and of the apparent satisfactory answers given by the informant. In order to fulfill this request and to keep NY-694-S currently advised of the status of CG-5824-S, New York is requested to immediately contact NY-694-S to advise him of the LEVINSON visit and of informant's opinion concerning the results of such visit. The informant also advised that he desired NY-694-S to continue his efforts to contact WEINER if the New York informant believes that this step is advisable.



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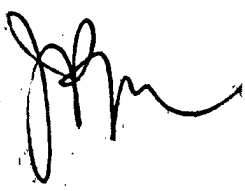
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CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. INFORMANT WAS CONTACTED  
OCTOBER SEVENTH INSTANT AND ADVISED THAT ON THE PREVIOUS  
DATE HE HAD DISPATCHED A PERSONAL NOTE TO WILLIAM WEINER  
OF NATIONAL OFFICE, CP, TO BE DELIVERED THROUGH HIS  
CONTACT, HARRY MILLER OF CHICAGO, WHO IS GOING TO NY  
DURING WEEK OF OCTOBER SIX INSTANT. INFORMANT HAS INSTRUCTED  
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HAS REQUESTED THAT IF THIS CONTACT HAS NOT BEEN MADE, NY SIX  
NINE FOUR DASH S SHOULD DEFER THE CONTACT UNTIL FURTHER ADVISED.  
IF, HOWEVER, CONTACT WITH WEINER HAS BEEN MADE BY NY SIX NINE  
FOUR DASH S, NY REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY ADVISE OF WEINER'S  
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Re No Number SAC letter AC, Series 1952, dated September 4, 1952, entitled "ESPIONAGE AND INTERNAL SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS (FULL UTILIZATION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS AND SOURCES OF INFORMATION)."

It is suggested that consideration be given to furnishing the Field with background information concerning the captioned informant in order that full utilization can be made of him by offices in the Field.

This informant was born on June 10, 1902, at Kiev, Russia and entered this country on December 23, 1911. He was naturalized in Chicago on October 18, 1927. This informant resided in Chicago until 1929. He was a student at the Lenin School from 1929 to 1932. From 1933 until 1935, he was a CP functionary at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. From 1935 until 1946, he was a CP functionary in Chicago, and from 1946 until the middle of 1947 was connected with the "Daily Worker" in New York. Informant was a charter member of the CP, was a member of the National Committee of the CP from 1935 to 1947, and was a member of the National Board of the CP from 1936 to 1947. From July, 1947 until early 1952, the informant was inactive in the CP. At the present time, he holds no official position as a functionary of the CP. The informant has limited contacts with CP functionaries in the Chicago area, with former CP functionaries in the New York State CP organization, and with a limited number of national functionaries of the CP. This informant has not been exposed and is presently being utilized. This informant has an intimate knowledge of the CP National Office leaders during the period when the CP was in Chicago, was connected with the International Labor Defense Organization, with the Trade Union Unity League, and with the TUEL. He was intimately acquainted with all national CP functionaries on the National Committee and on the National Board of the CP during the period 1935 to 1947. He is also well acquainted with District functionaries active throughout the United States during the same period. Informant

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has limited knowledge of Communist apparatus people operating in this country up to about 1935 and of a few individuals active in apparatus work up to the middle 1940's. He also can identify Lenin School students, both students from this country and other countries during the period 1929 through 1932. He was in Moscow in 1947.

In connection with the possible future contacts with the informant relative to apparatus on espionage personnel, the informant has indicated that he desires to be furnished with photographs of these individuals if they are available.

The above is submitted to the Bureau for consideration and inclusion in the list of informants who may be of value to the Field in connection with espionage and internal security investigations.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago

DATE: October 8, 1952

FROM : *jit* Director, FBI (61-7665)

SUBJECT: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT CG-5824-S

It is noted that since the development of CG-5824-S a considerable amount of information has been furnished to the Bureau by letters generally designated to the informant's file. While summary-type letters setting forth the accomplishments of this informant are necessary in order to evaluate his services, you are reminded of your responsibilities to prepare separate communications to the Bureau and interested offices, as well as to your own files, under appropriate captions incorporating pertinent information developed by the informant concerning individuals and organizations.

In order to keep duplicate reporting to a minimum, only the more important items developed by the informant need be included in the summary-type letter along with any data bearing on informant's progress in reactivating himself in the Party.

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  - ☐ Mr. Dennis
  - ☐ Mrs. Dolan
  - ☐ Miss Dunkel
  - ☐ Mr. Frankfurt
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  - ☐ Mr. McManon
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NEW YORK, NEW YORK  
OCTOBER 9, 1952

Transmit the following Teletype message to: CHICAGO

CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. REURTEL OCTOBER SEVEN, FIFTYTWO.  
WEINER HAS NOT BEEN CONTACTED BY NY SIX NINE FOUR S. SEVERAL  
WEEKS AGO SAID INFORMANT SPOKE TELEPHONICALLY TO WEINER'S  
RELATIVE NAMED QUOTE MILTIE UNQUOTE AND REQUESTED LATTER TO  
GIVE SIX NINE FOUR'S REGARDS TO WEINER. NO REACTION TO SAID  
CONTACT. INFORMANT WILL DEFER CONTACT WITH WEINER UNTIL FURTHER  
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Re Butel to Chicago August 6 last authorizing the payment of an amount of \$800 per month for a period of three months beginning August 1 last to the captioned informant, said amount to cover the payment of approximately \$100 per month on debts, \$100 for miscellaneous expenses including ordinary travel and purchases of literature, and \$600 per month for living expenses, said amount to also include funds for the purchase of an automobile. Reference Butel also requested this office to furnish bi-weekly reports concerning reactivation progress being made by this informant. Reference also Chicago letters to the Bureau of August 15, September 4, September 22 and October 6 last, setting forth bi-weekly information relative to the reactivation efforts of this informant.

Inasmuch as the Bureau has been advised of informant's reactivation efforts through September 30 last by virtue of reference Chicago lets, this letter will be confined to synopsis only the informant's key contacts in reference to reactivation which were made during the past two and a half months, together with a report of his efforts during the period October 1 through October 15, 1952.

This letter is additionally written to secure authority of the Bureau for the continuance of the services of this informant for an additional three month period beginning November 1 next on the same basis as was set forth in paragraph one of this letter.

It will be recalled that this informant was originally contacted on April 18, 1952, and after several interviews during April and May, 1952, informant agreed to attempt to reactivate himself in the Party. The Bureau authorized payments in the amount of \$100 per week beginning on April 21 last. However, the informant declined to accept money until May 29 last, when payment in the amount of \$200 was made to informant covering the period of his services prior to that date. Thereafter informant was paid \$100 a week until August 1, when Bureau authority was granted to compensate this informant at the rate of \$800 per month for the purposes outlined in paragraph one.

Efforts are continuing to develop this informant in order that he may be placed in as high a level nationally in the Communist

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Party as possible. Since the informant's last official position was with the Communist Party on a national level, informant has advised that any assignment which he will receive must emanate from the National Office.

With this in mind, the informant in August, 1952, directed a letter to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER advising of his state of health and generally indicating that he, the informant, may come to New York on a "personal matter" and that if he did, he would advise FOSTER. This letter was reportedly delivered to the informant's close friend, WILLIAM WEINER of the National Office, Communist Party, and informant's courier, HARRY MILLER, of Chicago, orally advised the informant that he was told an "important person" would contact informant in about five weeks.

On September 26 and 28 last, informant was visited by STANLEY LEVINSON, of New York, WEINER's assistant in finance work for the National Office, Communist Party, who advised the informant that WEINER had intended to visit informant but had delegated him, LEVINSON, to make the trip due to WEINER's illness. In the two day discussions lasting several hours each, the informant advised that in his opinion LEVINSON was sent by the National Office to "sound out" the informant and to get certain explanations from informant as to why he had severed his connections with the National Office in 1949. The informant advised that in his opinion LEVINSON received explanations in a satisfactory manner and will so report to the National Office. During the conversations, LEVINSON told the informant that informant's message to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER had been delivered and cautioned informant not to be impatient concerning a reply. As a result of this contact, informant is of the definite opinion that he is still highly regarded by the national leadership of the Party, but advised that from now on "patience" must be the watchword until further contacts are made by the representatives of the National Office with the informant.

As a follow-up to the LEVINSON visit, on October 10 last informant dispatched a note of personal regard, also indicating his restless attitude "to do something of value," via HARRY MILLER to WILLIAM WEINER. In addition to sending the message, the informant advised that he asked MILLER to speak to WEINER personally, if possible, and to solicit a small amount of funds (\$200) from WEINER, said funds not to be given

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on a personal basis and to be used for paying of outstanding medical bills. MILLER has not returned to Chicago as yet with a reply to this note.

During the past three months, informant has additionally been in contact with LEON KATZEN, Communist Party Financial Secretary of District #8, now underground. On the occasion of KATZEN's last visit on September 26 last, he, KATZEN, told the informant that he had been designated as informant's contact and would see informant periodically. During these visits the informant's advice was solicited on political matters and personnel matters, and on the occasion of KATZEN's last visit, informant was able to obtain from KATZEN the identity of the recently named open Communist Party leaders of District #8, Chicago.

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On October 10 last, confidential source [redacted] with CG-5824-S, was in contact with DAVID ENGLESTEIN, present Public Relations Director of District #8, Communist Party, who was underground for more than a year, who advised this informant to tell CG-5824-S that he, ENGLESTEIN, would see the informant on October 15 last.

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On the District #8 level, the informant has additionally been in contact with PHIL KOSSOFF, former Communist Party functionary of District #8, who has recently received an open assignment, who on the occasion of his visit on September 18, 1952, sought informant's advice on policy matters relating to District #8.



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In addition to the above key contacts, the informant has had contact with SUE KLING, wife of JACK KLING, former National Treasurer of the Communist Party who is now underground, with MILTON and SUE COHEN, former employees of the District #8 Office, and with HARRY MILLER, who is believed by the informant to be a courier for District #8 and who is the informant's contact when he desires to see KATZEN.

Regular interviews are being conducted with the informant concerning his past activities and his knowledge of Party activities and former associates. Informant has furnished valuable information in this respect and for purposes of emphasizing his value to the Bureau, the following is set forth as a breakdown of the type of information the informant has furnished:

- (1) Informant has identified approximately 26 individuals known to him to have engaged in either Communist Party apparatus work or who are believed by him to have worked with the Russians. Specifically, informant has identified two radio operators trained in Russia, one of whom actually operated a radio station for the Party in the early 1930's. He has supplied leads and information concerning PHIL ARONBERG, subject of a current Bureau investigation, who is described by the informant as one of the most important international apparatus operators ever to work in the United States. He has additionally furnished valuable lead information concerning the background and whereabouts of KITTY HARRIS, former paramour of EARL BROWDER, also the subject of a current IS-R investigation. He is believed to have located a photograph of the subject of the case entitled "SONYA EVELYN STRAND, IS-R" and through leads supplied by informant, it is hoped that his information will effect a positive identification of the subject of this case. Informant is regularly contacted in connection with pending espionage cases in this office and leads are submitted to this office by New York.
- (2) Informant has supplied current Communist Party information concerning the activities and the Party position of approximately 46 national and District #8 leaders.
- (3) Informant has identified three current open Communist Party leaders in District #8 and one at Milwaukee. Informant is in contact with two of these leaders.

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- (4) Informant has direct contact with one District #8 underground leader and with one individual believed by the informant to be used as a courier between District #8 and the National Office.
- (5) Informant has had personal contact with one representative of the National Office of the Communist Party and indirect contact with one other National Office person.
- (6) Informant has supplied current information on the identity and activities of some present national and New York State Communist Party leaders.
- (7) Informant has supplied in volume current information concerning factionalism and the split in leadership in the National Office, Communist Party.
- (8) Informant has supplied current Communist Party and background information concerning 32 rank and file members of the Communist Party in Chicago, and on the West and East Coasts.
- (9) Informant has supplied lead information on three missing Communist Party functionaries, two of whom are Confuge, and the other being JACK KLING of the National Office, Communist Party.
- (10) Informant has furnished personal, biographical and Communist Party background on 18 individuals now active in the National and District #8 Communist Party leadership. This was furnished to ascertain strong points and weaknesses for possible assistance in connection with the TOPLEV program.
- (11) Informant has supplied information concerning the current whereabouts and activities of 12 former national Communist Party leaders who either voluntarily left or were deported from this country.
- (12) Informant has identified a "member at large" of District #8 who operated in the Communist Party apparatus during the 1930's and possibly later in the Chicago area and who was an officer in the army in World War II.

On October 10, 1952, the informant, in conformance with previous agreements, purchased an automobile after suitable cover for payment was arranged. The

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purchase of this automobile will facilitate the informant's mobility and will also assist in maintaining security in contacts with agents of this office.

Attitude of Informant

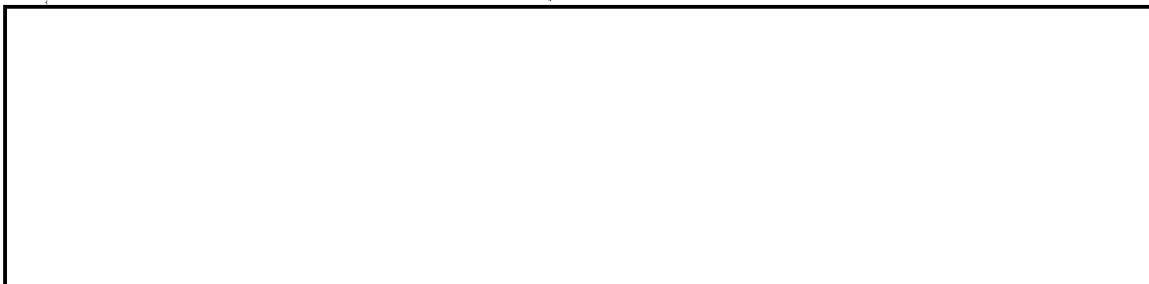
On October 7, 1952, the informant met with Special Agent in Charge JOHN F. MALONE and the agent handling him at the informant's request. The informant had requested this meeting in order to obtain SAC approval for an agenda for future work previously outlined in meetings between the agent and the informant.

At this meeting, it was agreed that the informant will direct his primary effort toward placing himself at the highest possible position on a national level, as possible, in the Party. It was also agreed that due to informant's position and because of security measures being taken by the Party, these efforts must proceed with caution and that for that reason "patience" must be the watchword in connection with any positive future steps to be taken by the informant in connection with his primary effort. Insofar as the informant's efforts to reactivate within the past three months are concerned, it was agreed that there are definite indications that informant is still highly regarded in the Party, but that because of the disintegration of Party leadership, it will take time for him to make necessary contacts for assignment.

The second part of the discussion was devoted to outlining an interview program covering all matters in which the Bureau has an interest in their order of importance. The program agreed upon for interview will cover the following in the order outlined:

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- (2) An analysis will be made of the present status of the Party with informant's suggestions as to how to use the present problems of the Party and how to fit them in with the general objective of controlling the Communist Party. These discussions will cover factionalism, sectarianism, and the possibilities offered for developing new leadership in the Party as a result of the present disintegration of national and local leadership. The end in view on this matter would be to assist the Bureau in suggesting certain individuals presently in the lower echelon of the Party who might advance to important leadership positions and who might be of assistance to the Bureau should they be contacted.
- (3) The informant will discuss and outline certain ideas which he believes might assist the Bureau to develop informants for work in the Communist Party, including the type of an individual who might advance to key positions in the Party.
- (4) Informant will analyze current political trends in the Party, nationally and internationally, with the program designed to counteract the current Communist international expansion program. Informant believes such an analysis is important because, as he explained, the leadership of the Communist Party is made or broken through correct or incorrect political interpretation.
- (5) Informant will make suggestions concerning the possible utilization of contacts known to him abroad who might assist the Bureau or CIA in their efforts to cause a disintegration of the alliances between the Soviet Union and the eastern country satellites. The informant also has suggestions as to how and what type of an individual could possibly be placed in Moscow to secure valuable intelligence information for this country.

During the entire discussion of October 7, it appeared that the informant was sincere and desirous of assisting the Bureau both through reactivation and through the use of his experience and knowledge in the Party. He is intelligent and it is believed that his motivation is patriotic.

#### Condition of Health

Informant's general health appears to be fair to good, considering the fact

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that he is afflicted with a heart ailment. He regularly meets with the agent and has never cancelled a meeting due to reasons of health. He has met with Communist leaders above mentioned for many hours at a time and while the meetings affect his general physical condition, the informant has thus far shown good recuperative powers.

#### Conclusions and Recommendations

Because of the progress made by this informant toward reactivation within a comparatively short period, and because of his intelligence, background and experience in the Communist movement, it is recommended that the services of this informant be continued for an additional three month period.

It is pointed out that the informant appears to be directing all his efforts in the interest of the Bureau and he has constantly asserted his belief that in time and by proceeding with caution, he feels that he can obtain definite information concerning the operation of the Communist Party underground apparatus and information concerning the possible whereabouts of the Comfugs.

It is felt that the information the informant is presently furnishing is such that in order to secure the same information, it would require the expenditure of an amount in agent time of many times more than the amount being recommended for payment to this informant. It is also felt that even though agent time was expended to secure the same information, the results would fall far short of the quality of informant's information due to the trust and confidence he enjoys with high ranking Communists.

Informant is applying a small amount of the money received in payment for services to pay past obligations. He additionally has purchased an automobile which will make him more mobile and which will insure security.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the services of this informant be continued for an additional three months beginning on November 1 next at the rate of \$800 per month, \$600 of said amount to be used for living expenses, including payments on his car, \$100 per month to be used for miscellaneous expenses, including entertainment, ordinary travel and literature, and \$100 per month to be used for payments of back debts.

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Should extraordinary travel expenses be necessary, such as for purposes of a trip to New York, specific authority will be asked of the Bureau for additional funds.

The services of this informant will continue to be closely supervised and bi-weekly reports submitted concerning his reactivation progress.

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CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. ON OCTOBER TWENTYTWO LAST CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S EXHIBITED LETTER FROM WILLIAM WEINER RECEIVED BY COURIER ON OCTOBER TWENTY LAST. LETTER WAS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO A LETTER SUBMITTED BY INFORMANT DURING PREVIOUS WEEK AND WAS SENT IN CONNECTION WITH INFORMANT'S REACTIVATION EFFORTS. WEINER LETTER WAS EXTREMELY FRIENDLY AND CONTAINED FOLLOWING STATEMENT: QUOTE, HOPE PROCESS OF RECOVERY WILL BE ACCELERATED TO POINT WHERE YOU CAN SOON BE UP AND DOING, UNQUOTE. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE THAT INFORMANT WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE TRIP TO NY SOON AND SAID, QUOTE, THEN WE WILL REALLY TALK AND TALK, UNQUOTE. WEINER ALSO STATED HE WAS STILL HOPING TO VISIT INFORMANT IN CHICAGO AND FURTHER THAT SOMEONE WILL BE OUT TO SEE INFORMANT IN NEXT FEW WEEKS. NY REQUESTED TO FURNISH DETAILS TO NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S SO THAT HE WILL BE INFORMED OF CURRENT REACTIVATION DEVELOPMENTS. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S DOES NOT DEEM IT ADVISABLE AT PRESENT FOR NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S TO TAKE ANY POSITIVE STEPS TO CONTACT WEINER.

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INFORMANT ALSO REQUESTS NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S ON A CONVENIENT  
OCCASION TO THANK ISADORE BEGIN FOR PAMPHLET WHICH INFORMANT  
RECEIVED THROUGH STANLEY LEVINSON DURING HIS VISIT WITH  
INFORMANT SEPTEMBER TWENTYFOUR DASH TWENTYSIX LAST.

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TO : SAC

DATE: October 27, 1952

FROM : SA CARL N. FREYMAN

SUBJECT: CG 5824-S

This will advise that the Communist Party index cards previously maintained on this informant were destroyed by the writer on October 23, 1952, in accordance with instructions.

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TO : SAC, Chicago (134-46)

DATE: October 22, 1952

FROM : *JMA* Director, FBI (61-7665)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

SUBJECT: CG-5824-S

Reurlet October 16, 1952.

Authority is granted to continue payments to this informant up to \$800 per month, effective November 1, 1952, for a period of three months.

It is understood that of this sum \$600 will be used for living expenses, including payments on the informant's car, \$100 for miscellaneous expenses, including entertainment, ordinary travel and literature, and \$100 for payments on back debts.

You should continue to personally supervise the handling and developing of this informant to be sure the Bureau receives full value for this expenditure.

*T made gl* Two weeks prior to the expiration of the authorized period you should submit an informative summary setting forth the value of the informant and your recommendation as to his continuance.

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TO : SAC, Chicago (134-46)

DATE: October 23, 1952

FROM : Director, FBI (61-7665) (66-2542)

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SUBJECT: CG 5824-S

Reurlet October 6, 1952.

The use by an individual of a fictitious name in filing an income tax return may be a violation of the Fraud Statutes in that such action would involve the falsification of a material fact.

The Criminal Division of the Department is being requested to consider this problem as it applies to all informants and you will be furnished the Department's opinion.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago

DATE: November 4, 1952

JEL FROM : Director, FBI (100-3-99)(61-7665)

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It has been noted that this informant has now purchased an automobile and it is assumed that this mobility on the part of the informant will provide more security for contacts with him.

You are requested to furnish complete information with regard to the automobile purchased by the informant, specifically, the make, model, year and purchase price, and how the informant intends to explain to the Comrades his purchase of such conveyance.

There is also the possibility that the informant will be seen in this car by Party members or sympathizers and you should advise what plan you have devised to afford full security with regard to contacts resulting from the use by the informant of his automobile.

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Director, FBI (61-7665, 66-2542)

November 10, 1952

SAC, Chicago (134-46)

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Re Chicago letter to Director, 10/16/52, summarizing informant's reactivation efforts for the first two weeks in October, and Butel to Chicago, 8/6/52, requesting bi-weekly summaries of informant's efforts to reactivate in the Communist Party.

The following summary is submitted covering informant's progress in his reactivation efforts during the last two weeks in October:

On October 15, 1952, informant was contacted by DAVID ENGLESTEIN, Publicity Director of District Eight, Communist Party, who was recently underground. The conversation with ENGLESTEIN lasted for approximately three hours and was the first contact by this individual with the informant in approximately four years. ENGLESTEIN, during his entire visit, was friendly and sought informant's advice on three present problems facing the Communist Party which are listed as follows:

1. How the CP can avoid the blame in the event of a defeat of the Democratic Party in the national election by a close margin when it is presently backing the Progressive Party candidates.
2. The International Harvester strike. A discussion was held as to the advisability of an all-out CP defense of HAROLD WARD, recently indicted union leader at the Harvester plant, Chicago, for the alleged murder of a non-striker.
3. How the CP can intensify its main tactic at the present time of furtherance of the cause of peace when its leadership ranks are being used for so many secondary objectives, including the campaign to free the ROSENBERGS.

The ENGLESTEIN contact is not considered by the informant to be of great importance in the matter of reactivation. However, the informant advised that ENGLESTEIN indicated that he, ENGLESTEIN, was in contact with certain underground functionaries and further that he, ENGLESTEIN, would attempt to arrange a contact between PHIL BART, a prominent underground leader, and the informant on BART's next visit to Chicago. For that reason and because ENGLESTEIN has indicated he will be in contact with the informant from time to time, the informant will continue to see ENGLESTEIN in the future.

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1 cc: Bureau file 66-2542

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Director, FBI

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On October 20, 1952, the informant exhibited a note written by WILLIAM WEINER of the National Office, Communist Party. The letter was delivered to informant by HARRY MILLER of Chicago, informant's close friend, who had been in the east during the past week, reportedly on business. MILLER, on delivery of the note, said that he had seen WILLIAM WEINER and his wife but declined to tell the informant where this contact had been effected. The informant had previously instructed MILLER to contact STANLEY LEVINSON in New York and through him to make contact with WEINER to deliver informant's note to WEINER. An examination of WEINER's reply note reflected that it was written on the stationery of the Hotel Traymore, Atlantic City, and it appears that LEVINSON possibly took MILLER to Atlantic City for the sole purpose of the delivery of the informant's note to WEINER.

Insofar as reactivation efforts of CG-5824-S are concerned, the letter appears to be of great importance, and perhaps of greater importance than any other single effort made by informant during the past six months. The letter was extremely friendly and personal in nature. It stated that WEINER was "very glad" to hear from the informant after "all these years of silence." WEINER said that he had read the informant's note "with more than languid interest" and was happy to learn that informant's health had improved somewhat. WEINER then made the statement, "I hope that the process of your recovery will be accelerated to the point to where you can be up and doing again." He also stated he wanted to work out some means of "keeping in touch" and said that he hoped that informant would soon be able to make his contemplated trip to New York. In that connection, WEINER said, "Then we'll really talk and talk." In addition, WEINER gave MILLER an oral message to be delivered to the informant which stated that someone will come to see informant "one of these weeks" and further that WEINER himself may still come to Chicago to see informant. WEINER's oral message concluded by stating that if informant could come to New York, he, the informant, will be more than welcome. In addition to the written and oral messages, WEINER sent the informant six novels by "left wing" and communist writers and some recently issued pamphlets.

In addition to the above reactivation efforts, the informant continues his correspondence with LENA and MARCEL SCHERER, WILLIAM LAWRENCE, and MARTIN YOUNG. The purpose of these contacts is first of all, to raise certain questions with these people that will cause them to make positive replies concerning the current activities of the CP nationally, its tactics, and also some information concerning leadership. A secondary purpose for correspondence with LENA SCHERER is that the informant, as a result of conversations and letters, feels that LENA SCHERER and the group of which she is a part might make a timely bid for national leadership within the next few months because of certain events and circumstances which have resulted from the recent Congress of the CPSU which makes, in the informant's opinion, an opportune moment for a challenge of the FOSTER leadership.

On the latter matter, the informant feels that if the SCHERER, LAWRENCE, and WILLIAM TEINTONE group should make an effort to challenge the FOSTER leader-

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ship and be successful, he, the informant, would be in an advantageous position for a future leadership assignment.

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The informant has had no contact since September 26, last, with LEON KATZEN, now underground, who has been designated informant's regular contact. A possible explanation for this lack of contact lies in the fact that KATZEN is still underground and also, informants of this office recently have advised CP leaders in the Chicago area have left the city in anticipation of possible arrests prior to the election. Informant was in contact with HARRY MILLER who is his contact between KATZEN and himself during the last week in October and was advised that he, the informant, might expect a visit, presumably from KATZEN, soon.

Informant additionally continues to furnish information concerning his knowledge of the CP communist apparatus personnel on a regular basis. This information covers the background of these individuals, their weaknesses and the dangerousness of each subject. Informant additionally furnishes valuable information concerning the present political situation as it affects the Communist Party nationally and the CPSU and it is believed this information is useful at the present time because the Party leadership is presently discussing a change in platform which will allow the Party to operate at least as a "semi-legal" organization.

#### Evaluation and Contemplated Plans

The personal letter of WILLIAM WEINER, who is a close advisor of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, appears to indicate that the Party has intentions of using informant at a high level once his health is determined to have been improved. The letter also indicates that ground work for a possible trip to New York by the informant has been successfully laid and that WEINER contemplates speaking freely to the informant when the trip is made.

Concerning the contemplated trip to New York mentioned above, it will be recalled that the cover will be that the informant is bringing his father to see an eye specialist who was formerly used by NY-604-S. Informant's father has recently had one eye removed in Chicago but his remaining eye is also infected and the trip is in order for that reason.

Informant advised on October 31, 1952, that specialists feel his father should not travel for approximately three weeks, so tentative plans are being submitted by separate letter for Bureau authority to make this trip on or about November 21, 1952.

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The possible value of this trip for reactivation purposes has been discussed in detail with the informant. After much discussion of the advantages and disadvantages, it was concluded since WEINER has indicated informant was to see someone in Chicago possibly from the national office within the next several weeks it might be better to await this contact to see what this individual has in mind for informant. However, on October 31, it was decided that since WEINER's letter was friendly and was an invitation to see him if at all possible for the informant to come to New York, that it might be advantageous to make the trip in the relatively near future, possibly about November 21, and not to wait beyond this date for the contact with the unidentified individual. The trip, of course, would be cancelled or deferred in the event the unidentified individual visits with informant on or before November 21 with a proposition that would be in line with the agreed reactivation program of this informant.

The possible advantages and disadvantages of the New York trip have been discussed in detail. The advantage would lie in the fact of personal contact with such individuals as WILLIAM WEINER, possibly WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, LENA SCHERER, WILLIAM LAWRENCE, who has recently received an assignment in either the New York County or the national organization, and with "Daily Worker" personnel such as ALLEN MAX, MILTON HOWARD, and GEORGE MORRIS. It is believed that contacts would be made with some or all of the above individuals which would lead to a possible assignment by the Party of the informant and further that valuable current information could be obtained.

The disadvantage of such a trip would lie in the fact that if informant should make the trip, the National Office would be in a position to ask him to take a possible open assignment such as the editorship of "Political Affairs", succeeding V. J. JEROME, or the chairmanship of a District, possibly Chicago. These open assignments would not permit the informant to operate in the underground as it was agreed would be informant's objective in seeking assignment. The informant has pointed out that if he was given an assignment as a result of conferences with members of the national leadership, he must take any assignment as a disciplined member of the Party. On the other hand, if an assignment was made by an emissary visiting the informant in Chicago which was in conflict with Bureau plans, the informant advised that he would be in a better position to make counter-suggestions. It was concluded, however, that the advantages of personal contact would possibly outweigh the disadvantage mentioned above and that the informant would make the trip with Bureau approval on or about November 21, next.

An additional factor causing the above conclusion to be reached lies in the fact that NY-694-S, in recent letters to the informant, has indicated that he would like CG-5824-S to re-introduce NY-694-S to some of CG-5824-S' contacts. It appears that these two informants, by working closely together and carefully going over plans, can assist each other in their common efforts toward re-activation.

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Informant is being carefully supervised and continues to give full cooperation to the Bureau. He recently [redacted] and it is believed that



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if CG-5824-S is successful in obtaining a Party assignment that eventually [redacted] will agree to assist the Bureau. This source has, herself, handled open Party finances in District Eight and while she is unwilling to rejoin the Party as of the moment, she has indicated it may be necessary for her to again become active if CG-5824-S accepts assignment. b7D

One copy of this letter is being designated for New York for information purposes in view of the contemplated trip to New York of CG-5824-S and for the further reason that the matter contained herein specifically refers to NY-694-S.

Director, FBI (61-7665, 66-2542)

November 10, 1952

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SAC, Chicago (134-46)

66-5824-S

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Re Chicago letter dated November 10, 1952, specifically to the section covering contemplated plans of this office for the captioned informant to make a trip to New York on or about November 21, next for the purpose of attempting to make "key contacts" with officials of the National Office, Communist Party, in connection with his reactivation efforts, and also to obtain current information of a high level nature concerning present national setup of the CP, USA.

For a period of several months, informant has been laying the ground work of what is believed to be a good cover for the contemplated trip. The informant's father, who is approximately 75 years old, over a period of years had difficulty with his eyes. This fact is known to key personnel of the Communist Party in Chicago and also to the Party in New York. During the last week in October, it was necessary to remove one of the eyes of the informant's father and his remaining eye is presently infected with the same disease.

It will be recalled that NY-694-S has a son, who a few years ago had cancer of the eye and this condition was corrected through the efforts of a Dr. PERRERA (phonetic), a noted eye specialist in New York.

Informant for the past several months has laid the ground work in Chicago and New York for him to bring his father to New York to consult with Dr. PERRERA. Since his father has already lost an eye, informant feels that he, the informant, can now easily explain a trip to New York on the basis that informant's father fears the loss of his remaining eye and wants to consult with the best available eye specialist.

As explained in referenced Chicago letter, the informant has had correspondence with WILLIAM WEINER of the National Office, CP, by mail and WEINER in effect, extended a friendly invitation to the informant to come to New York so that they can "talk and talk." WEINER also indicated through correspondence that he hoped informant's health would continue to improve so that soon the informant can be "up and doing a ain." It will be noted that WEINER is close to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and for that reason he is speaking with authority in writing to informant along the above line.

The purpose of such a trip is to allow WEINER and other national CP officials to see informant personally so that if they have intentions of again utilizing the informant they can have an opportunity to speak to him personally and at the same time will be in a position to observe the condition of informant's health. The ultimate objective of such a trip is to get informant placed, if possible, in the underground apparatus where he might assist in locating the

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communist fugitives. CG-5824-S has been in correspondence with NY-694-S and NY-694-S has recently expressed the desire that the informant should visit New York so that both informants would have a reason for renewing old contacts with Party officials. For that reason, it is believed that CG-5824-S might assist in reactivation visits of NY-694-S in addition to his own efforts.

CG-5824-S advised that he intends, first of all, to contact WILLIAM WEINER on a social basis but advised that based on WEINER's correspondence with the informant he believes that his conversations would soon develop into extensive discussions and briefings on the informant as to the present activities and policies as well as the leadership of the CP nationally. Informant feels that WEINER will have knowledge of the Party intentions concerning the informant's future and that during the course of the events resulting from these conversations with WEINER, the informant will be able to determine whether he can make an additional number of contacts with other CP leaders. The informant feels that if WEINER advises against contacts with open communists in New York, then it will definitely be determined the Party intends to use informant for an underground assignment. If, on the other hand, WEINER permits the informant to visit such national figures as WILLIAM LAWRENCE, ALLAN MAX, MILTON HOWARD, GEORGE MORRIS, and others, then the Party contemplates using him in open work. The informant, however, advised that if the first re-action indicates that WEINER or the National Office contemplates an underground assignment for the informant, nevertheless, he, the informant, feels he can still contact such individuals as MARCEL and LENA SCHERER, HARRY HAYWOOD, and others on a strictly personal basis in his efforts to obtain current National Party information.

This office feels CG-5824-S at the present time has good possibilities for Party work at a high level. It has been definitely established that representatives of the National Office are friendly to him and it is now felt that a visit such as that contemplated may accelerate informant's reactivation.

Bureau authority is therefore requested to send informant and his father to New York on or about November 21 under the cover outlined, for a period of approximately seven days with the authority given for the informant to remain in New York for any additional reasonable period if more than seven days are deemed necessary by the informant.

Since the informant is taking his father for the sole purpose as acting as a cover and because informant continues to be heavily in debt, having incurred additional expenses because of his father's recent illness, which expenses he is sharing with NY-694-S, informant has indicated that he feels that necessary expenses for his and his father's trip to New York should be borne by the Bureau.

It is the informant's intention to stay at the residence of NY-694-S with his father during the New York visit, subject of course to any contrary instructions coming from the Party. If the informant and his father remain at the residence of NY-694-S for approximately seven days as contemplated, it is believed that

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the total expenses for such a trip should not exceed \$276.80, which would include the payment of \$75.00 each for two tickets via air coach, and an advance of \$125.00 for necessary miscellaneous expenses to be itemized. Should the Party instruct the informant and ask him to take hotel accommodations or to stay in excess of seven days for any reason, then the requested amount would be inadequate.

In view of the possibility that the Party may require the informant to stay at a hotel, thus requiring additional expenditures for room and meals, Bureau authority is also requested for New York to advance the informant money for necessary expenses for room and meals if this eventuality occurs. Authority is specifically requested that in case these expenses are necessary, for New York to advance the informant an amount not to exceed \$9.00 per diem for hotel and \$5.00 per diem for meals for the seven-day period and payments at the same rate or for such reasonable additional period as would be required if informant is requested to remain in New York by the Party.

The total amount, therefore, for seven days would be at the rate of \$14.00 per day for meals and room, or a total of \$98.00. Since Chicago is contemplating advancing the informant \$125.00 for miscellaneous necessary expenses to be itemized, it is felt that if this emergency as outlined above did occur that it should not be necessary for New York to advance the informant an amount in excess of \$75.00 over and above the \$276.80 being requested for a contemplated advance by the Chicago Office.

The estimated maximum total expenses including the amount possibly necessary to be expended by informant if he is requested to live at a hotel would therefore be \$276.80 plus \$75.00 or a possible maximum expense of \$351.80. The informant will be instructed to itemize all expenses and it will be understood that any excess of actual cost will be returned by the informant.

Authority is therefore requested for Chicago to advance the informant \$276.80 for plane fare and necessary miscellaneous expenses for the contemplated trip to New York and return and authority is additionally requested for New York to advance him an amount not to exceed \$75.00 in the event the informant is requested to live at a hotel and the funds advanced by Chicago are insufficient to meet this necessary additional expense.

Since the above expenditure is extraordinary expense to be incurred by this office and since the current confidential fund in the Chicago Office will not take care of the amount of \$276.80, it is requested that the Bureau if it approves the above trip submit the above amount to the Chicago Office by check, said sum to be treated as an advance on the confidential fund of the Chicago Office.

A copy of this letter is being designated for the information of the New York Office and a copy for informant's Bureau file 66-2542.

Inasmuch as the key contact of CG-5824-S in connection with the contemplated trip is WILLIAM WEINER, New York is requested to advise this office of any

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information indicating that WEINER will not be in New York during the period November 15 through November 28, next.

In the event the Bureau approves the above trip by this informant, New York is additionally requested to advise Chicago of the name of the agent informant can contact in emergency in New York together with the telephone number at which he can be reached during the day and at night. It is suggested that the agent so designated might possibly be the agent presently handling NY-694-S.

Chicago, Illinois  
November 14, 1952

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DIRECTOR, FBI  
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CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. CHICAGO LET NOV. TEN LAST REQUESTING <sup>cc</sup> AUTHORITY TO SEND INFORMANT TO N.Y. ON OR ABOUT NOV. TWENTYONE NEXT. INFORMANT CONTACTED ON NOV. THIRTEEN LAST CONCERNING PROPOSED TRIP. HE ADVISED THAT IN HIS OPINION TRIP SHOULD BE MADE AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE. INFORMANT'S OPINION IS BASED ON FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS: ONE, INFORMANT'S CONTACT WITH HARRY MILLER ON NOV. TEN LAST AT WHICH TIME MILLER CLARIFIED ORAL STATEMENT OF WILLIAM WEINER MADE TO MILLER IN OCT. LAST, TO INDICATE THAT HE, INFORMANT, SHOULD COME TO N.Y. IF POSSIBLE. TWO, INFORMANT HAS RE-READ WEINER LET TO HIM AND HAS REACHED DEFINITE CONCLUSIONS THAT WEINER HAS SOMETHING IN MIND AND WANTS TO SEE INFORMANT IF HE CAN GET TO N.Y. THREE, INFORMANT BELIEVES THAT IF THERE IS AN EXTENDED LAPSE OF TIME BETWEEN WEINER LET AND INFORMANT'S TRIP TO N.Y., THE INFORMANT'S CHANNEL TO REACH TOP OF LEADERSHIP (WEINER) MAY BE LOST. FOUR, SHOULD WILLIAM Z. FOSTER BE ORDERED TO TRIAL, INFORMANT BELIEVES THAT POSSIBILITY OF PERSONALLY SEEING FOSTER WILL BE REMOTE. FIVE, THE COVER

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WHICH HAS BEEN MADE FOR INFORMANT'S TRIP MAY BE LOST THUS, NECESSITATING ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW COVER AND CAUSING ADDITIONAL DELAY. REASON COVER MAY BE LOST IS BECAUSE INFORMANT'S FATHER, WHO IS UNAWARE OF INFORMANT'S CONNECTION WITH THE BUREAU, IS INSISTANT THAT HE, THE FATHER, SHOULD RETURN TO ~~WORK~~ <sup>WORK</sup> AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SINCE FATHER IS SATISFIED WITH MEDICAL CARE IN CHICAGO, AND ONCE FATHER FEELS HE IS DEFINITELY ON RD. TO RECOVERY INFORMANT BELIEVES HE WILL HAVE DIFFICULTY GETTING FATHER TO MAKE TRIP <sup>at a later date</sup> SIX, INFORMANT IS EXTREMELY ANXIOUS TO RENEW TOP LEADERSHIP CONNECTIONS SO THAT HE CAN BE OF GREATER SERVICE TO BUREAU AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT RENEWAL OF CONTACTS IN N.Y. IS BEST MEANS OF <sup>accel</sup> ~~EXHILARATING~~ REACTIVATION. INFORMANT ADVISED THAT HE FEELS TRIP SHOULD BE MADE NO LATER THAN NOV. TWENTY OR TWENTYFIRST NEXT SO THAT HE CAN BE IN N.Y. FOR WEEKEND. HE ADVISED THAT HE BELIEVES HE WOULD BE IN N.Y. A WK OR LESS. ONLY CONSIDERATION IN CHICAGO THAT MIGHT CAUSE TEMPORARY POSTPONEMENT OF TRIP WOULD BE A DR.'S ORDER FOR INFORMANT'S FATHER NOT TO TRAVEL IMMEDIATELY. FOR INFO OF BUREAU, INFORMANT HAS NOT YET BEEN CONTACTED BY "UNIDENTIFIED PERSON" REFERRED TO BY WEINER AND NO CONTACTS HAVE BEEN MADE THAT WOULD INDICATE

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RE. CP, USA. TOPLEV. IS, C. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. RE CHICAGO  
LET NOV. TEN, LAST. AUTHORITY GRANTED SEND INFORMANT TO NEW YORK  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH PLAN OUTLINED IN REFERENCED LET. CHICAGO MAY  
ADVANCE INFORMANT TWO HUNDRED SEVENTYSIX DOLLARS AND EIGHTY CENTS,  
AND NEW YORK MAY ADVANCE SEVENTYFIVE DOLLARS IF SUCH BECOMES  
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SO THAT TRIP MAY BE POSTPONED. NEW YORK SHOULD ALSO ADVISE CHICAGO  
NAME OF AGENT TO HANDLE CHICAGO INFORMANT IN EVENT OF EMERGENCY,  
WHO SHOULD BE AGENT PRESENTLY HANDLING NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S.  
IN EVENT INFORMANT MUST REMAIN IN NEW YORK BEYOND SEVEN DAYS OR  
ABOVE SUMS INSUFFICIENT, NEW YORK SHOULD CONTACT BUREAU FOR  
AUTHORITY TO SEND ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.

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CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR S, RE CHICAGO LETTER NOVEMBER TEN, FIFTY TWO, CONCERNING PROPOSED TRIP OF CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR S TO NEW YORK CITY. NY SIX NINE FOUR S ADVISED ON NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN FIFTY TWO THAT ON NOVEMBER SEVENTEEN FIFTY TWO HE PERSONALLY CONTACTED MILTON HELLER, WILLIAM WIENER'S SON-IN-LAW, AND INFORMED HELLER OF PROPOSED TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY OF CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR S. HELLER AGREED TO RELAY INFORMATION TO WILLIAM WIENER. ON NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN FIFTY TWO NY SIX NINE FOUR S TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HELLER, WHO ADVISED HIM THAT WIENER WOULD BE IN NEW YORK CITY AND LOOKED FORWARD TO MEETING WITH CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR S. IN EVENT OF EMERGENCY CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR S MAY TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT SA A. C. BURLINSON, OFFICE TELEPHONE RECTOR TWO THREE FIVE ZERO ZERO, EXTENTION THREE ONE SIX, HOME TELEPHONE SCARSDALE THREE THREE NINE THREE TWO. NY SIX NINE FOUR S COMMENTED THAT AS A SECURITY MEASURE CP MIGHT SURVEIL CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR S AND NY SIX NINE FOUR S DURING DURATION OF VISIT TO NEW YORK CITY OF CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR S. IN VIEW OF THIS, IT IS BELIEVED THAT PERSONAL CONTACT OF THESE INFORMANTS WITH AGENTS OF NEW YORK OFFICE SHOULD BE AVOIDED DURING A PERTINENT PERIOD.

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CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. RE CHICAGO LET NOVEMBER TEN LAST AND NY  
AIRTEL NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN LAST. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S DEPARTING  
CHICAGO VIA TWA, SEVEN FORTY FIVE A.M. NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO NEXT, ARRIVING  
NY TEN THIRTY FIVE A.M. EST. EXPECTED DURATION OF STAY SEVEN DAYS OR  
LESS. INFORMANT WAS IN CONTACT WITH NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S ON NOVEMBER  
TWENTY ONE AND WILL STAY AT RESIDENCE OF NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S IN  
ABSENCE OF CONTRARY INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM PARTY ON ARRIVAL IN NY.  
INFORMANT HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO CONTACT DESIGNATED AGENT BY PHONE ONLY  
IN EVENT OF EMERGENCY.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

November 21, 1952

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CG 5824-S

Rebutel August 6, 1952, requesting bi-weekly summaries of informant's reactivation efforts in the Communist Party and Chicago letter of November 10, 1952, summarizing the informant's efforts during the last two weeks in October.

During the first two weeks in November the informant has continued his efforts to reactivate himself in the Communist Party, but no contacts of importance have been made during the past two weeks.

The informant was last contacted by his regularly designated CP contact, LEON KATZEN, District No. 8 Financial Secretary now underground on September 26, 1952.

In an effort to effect additional contacts with this individual, the informant has periodically been in telephone contact with HARRY MILLER, the intermediary between the informant and KATZEN. On November 10th last MILLER advised the informant that KATZEN had been extremely busy, but would see the informant within the next few days. Contact was again had with MILLER on November 12th and MILLER at that time advised informant that he would see informant on November 14th last. On November 15th last the informant advised that MILLER had cancelled this meeting, but would see the informant on November 17th next, presumably with LEON KATZEN.

The "unidentified person" referred to by WILLIAM WEINER in his letter to the informant in October, 1952, as being scheduled to contact the informant "one of these weeks" has not yet made contact with informant. No additional notes have been received from WEINER since about October 20, 1952, nor has any information been received by the informant as to when the "unidentified person" was scheduled to contact informant.

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Chicago letter of November 10, 1952, requested authority for the informant to visit New York to renew his former close association with WILLIAM WEINER and possibly to make arrangements to see WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and others. The informant advised on November 7, 1952 that he now believes that such a trip is necessary for him to accelerate his reactivation efforts since the informant stated he was last employed and under the jurisdiction of the national office of the CP and any assignments must therefore necessarily emanate from New York. The contemplated trip would be made by the informant on or about November 21st next under the plans outlined in Chicago letter of November 10th last.

In that connection informant has laid additional groundwork for contemplated contacts in New York through correspondence with all active Communists in New York, including LENA and MARCEL SCHERER, MARTIN YOUNG, and through indirect contact with WILLIAM LAWRENCE. LENA SCHERER in a letter of November 9, 1952, offered to try to arrange for informant to see "important people" should he visit New York. Informant has declined to accept SCHERER'S offer because she is presently engaged in a factional fight in New York and informant is of the opinion that any efforts for her to arrange leadership contacts for the informant might operate to defeat reactivation plans. The informant, however, stated that he believes any reference by SCHERER among certain contacts of hers in New York concerning the informant might be of benefit and might in fact assist him in meeting many of the proper people.

LENA SCHERER and MARCEL SCHERER, in letters, continue to freely disclose party problems and personnel on a day to day basis at the national and New York State level. This informant's information is being regularly furnished to New York.

#### Evaluation and Contemplated Plans

During the past thirty days the informant on numerous occasions has indicated dissatisfaction with his progress in reactivation efforts because, as he has stated, he wants to give the Bureau maximum results from his services at the earliest possible date. He stated that he can only obtain these results for the Bureau by placing himself in a policy making position.

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It has been agreed with the informant that while his progress to date has been relatively slow, a possible explanation for this apparent failure to get immediate results can be found in the known fact that there is presently disintegration of the national organization leadership on a national scale and also a possible explanation might be offered in the fact that the Communist Party today has instituted stringent security measures. For these reasons it has been agreed that contacts are made infrequently among leaders and even the infrequent contacts are made slowly and with difficulty.

The informant has been cautioned that due to the disorganization of the party leadership and because of the party security measures, any positive steps for reactivation must be carefully planned, taking into consideration the fact that excessive positive efforts might cause party leaders to suspect the informant. He has been told that he must not act hurriedly and that the Bureau is fully cognizant of the difficulty of placing any person in a top leadership position today. He has also been told that due to the difficulties that exist today the Bureau is quite satisfied with the present positive results which he has already obtained and further that his reactivation efforts are being considered by the Bureau on a strictly long range basis.

It is the opinion of this office that informant's potential has definitely been established as indicated by the contacts he has been able to make with CP leaders in the Chicago area and the CP representatives of the National Office during the last five months. It is believed that the contemplated trip of the informant to New York should be extremely valuable in accelerating the informant's reactivation efforts.

The informant continues to be contacted on a regular basis and is extremely cooperative in furnishing information of value to this office and to New York.

The Bureau will be advised of all developments.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 11/21/52

FROM : C. N. FREYMAN

SUBJECT: CG 5824-B

On 11/21/52 the writer paid this informant the sum of \$276.80 as an advance for 2 air coach tickets to New York in the amount of \$151.80 and \$125.00 for misc expenses in connection with this informants trip to NY on 11/22/52.

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NEW YORK  
NOV. 26, 1952

CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. ON NOV. TWENTYSIX INSTANT NY SIX  
NINE FOUR S REPORTED THAT WILLIAM WIENER ON NOV. TWENTYFIVE LAST  
TOOK CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S TO HIS HOME AT ROCKAWAY BEACH, LI,  
WHERE CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S STAYED OVERNIGHT AND WAS TREATED  
QUOTE LIKE A PRODIGAL SON UNQUOTE. ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE BY  
WEINER FOR CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S TO MEET WILLIAM E. POSTER  
AND BETTY GANNETT. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S ANTICIPATES HE  
WILL HAVE TO REMAIN IN NY DURING MOST OF NEXT WEEK TO COMPLETE HIS  
BUSINESS.

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Chicago, Illinois  
November 28, 1952

DIRECTOR, FBI  
SAC, NEW YORK

ATTENTION A. H. BELMONT

CP, USA, TOPLEV, IS DASH C, CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. REBUTEL NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN LAST CAPTIONED ABOVE. CHICAGO AIRTEL NOVEMBER TWENTYONE LAST CAPTIONED CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. NEW YORK AIRTEL NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST CAPTIONED CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT INST THAT CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S WAS IN TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH HER ON NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST AND SAID HE HAD SUCCESSFUL CONTACT WITH WILLIAM WEINER. HE ADVISED THAT HE HAD SEVERAL OTHER APPOINTMENTS AND COULD NOT SAY WHEN HE MIGHT BE EXPECTED TO RETURN TO CHICAGO. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S ADVISED THAT HE WOULD SEND FATHER HOME ALONG DECEMBER ONE NEXT. INFORMANT SOUGHT INSTRUCTIONS AS TO WHETHER IT WAS NECESSARY FOR HIM TO CONTACT NEW YORK OFFICE. [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] WAS INSTRUCTED TO ADVISE CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S NOT TO CONTACT NEW YORK OFFICE UNLESS FULL SECURITY WAS ASSURED AND NECESSARY URGENT SITUATION ARISES EITHER FROM INFORMATION OBTAINED OR FROM ASSISTANCE. <sup>NEED FOR FINANCIAL</sup> INASMUCH AS INFORMANT APPEARS TO BE MAKING REACTIVATION PROCESS IT IS FELT THAT INFORMANT COULD REMAIN IN NEW YORK S LONG AS NECESSARY TO SEE CP LEADERSHIP. BUREAU THEREFORE REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZE NEW YORK TO ADVISE CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S OR NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S IF THEY SHOULD CONTACT NEW YORK OFFICE, THAT

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CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH 3 SHOULD REMAIN IN NEW YORK SO LONG AS HE, IN HIS JUDGMENT, BELIEVED IT NECESSARY. BUREAU ALSO REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZE NEW YORK TO ADVANCE ANY NECESSARY FUNDS FOR EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED IN ADDITION TO PREVIOUS AMOUNTS AUTHORIZED. THE EXACT AMOUNT OF MONEY NECESSARY FOR INFORMANT TO REMAIN IN NEW YORK IS NOT POSSIBLE TO COMPUTE, HOWEVER BUREAU IS ADVISED THAT PAST EXPERIENCES WITH INFORMANT REGARDING EXPENSES INDICATE THAT HE DOES NOT UNNECESSARILY SPEND MONEY. FOR INFO OF BUREAU, CHECK~~ED~~ MENTIONED IN REFERENCED BUTEL OF NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN LAST<sup>AS</sup> BEING SENT BY BUREAU FOR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH INFORMANT'S TRIP HAS NOT YET REACHED THIS OFFICE.

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NEW YORK  
11/28/52

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BUREAU, CHICAGO

CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S ADVISED  
THAT ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S  
TO MEET WILLIAM Z. FOSTER ON SATURDAY, ELEVEN TWENTYNINE,  
FIFTYTWO.

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK  
DECEMBER 2, 1952

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00 FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH 3. INFORMANT LEAVING NY SEVEN O'CLOCK  
P.M., DECEMBER TWO, FIFTYTWO FOR CHICAGO VIA TWA PLANE, FLIGHT FIVE,  
WILL ARRIVE AT CHICAGO AT NINE TWENTY O'CLOCK P.M. SAME DATE,  
(CENTRAL TIME). MISSION RECORDED BY INFORMANT AS SUCCESSFUL. HE  
WILL FURNISH DETAILS TO CHICAGO OFFICE.

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CP, USA. TOPLEV. IS, C. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S.

RE NEW YORK AND CHICAGO AIRTELS NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT, LAST. INFORMANT SHOULD NOT CONTACT NEW YORK OFFICE UNLESS IN EMERGENCY AND IF SECURITY IS ASSURED. HE SHOULD KEEP NEW YORK OFFICE ADVISED OF HIS ACTIVITIES THROUGH NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S, WITH WHOM NEW YORK SHOULD MAINTAIN CONTACT. IN THE EVENT INFORMANT NEEDS ADDITIONAL FUNDS, NEW YORK SHOULD PROVIDE SAME THROUGH NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES WHICH MAY BE INCURRED. BUREAU SHOULD BE KEPT ADVISED ANY SUCH SUMS WHICH ARE REQUIRED. NEW YORK ADVISE RESULTS CONTACT BY INFORMANT WITH FOSTER SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, LAST. NEW YORK SHOULD KEEP BUREAU AND CHICAGO ADVISED ALL DEVELOPMENTS.

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December 3, 1952

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CG-5824-S

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Rebutel August 6, 1952, requesting biweekly summaries of the informant's reactivation efforts and Chicago letter of November 21, 1952, summarizing the informant's efforts during the first two weeks of November. The following is a summary of the informant's efforts during the last two weeks of November.

On November 17, 1952, the informant was visited for several hours by his contact HARRY MILLER. It will be noted that MILLER is the informant's contact with LEON KATZEN, Communist Party District No. 8 Financial Secretary presently underground, and MILLER had previously indicated prior to November 15, 1952, that he would effect contact between the informant and KATZEN. On November 17, 1952, MILLER explained to the informant that he had seen KATZEN on only one occasion since September 1952 because he, KATZEN, has reportedly assumed additional duties within the district due to the transfer out of the district of former District No. 8 functionaries. MILLER told the informant that KATZEN had expressed regret for his failure to contact the informant in the intervening period between September 24, 1952, and November 17, 1952, and told MILLER to tell the informant that he, KATZEN, would see the informant as soon as KATZEN could find the time.

During the remaining period between November 17 and November 22, 1952, the agent and the informant engaged in lengthy strategy talks regarding the informant's trip to New York to visit national Communist Party functionaries scheduled for on or about November 21, 1952. During these discussions the agent told the informant that the matter of whom to see and how to see these people in New York was being left entirely to the informant's good judgment because it was felt that he was in a better position to know what could be done than was the agent. It was agreed between the informant and the agent that the informant's first contact would be with WILLIAM WEINER and that the entire program for the informant while he was in New York would depend on the results of the informant's contact with WEINER. The informant outlined a definite tentative program which he hoped to accomplish while in New York and particularly stated that it was his opinion that WEINER would arrange for the informant to see WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, National Chairman of the Communist Party, and possibly BETTY GANNETT. Informant was briefed finally on November 21, 1952, and at that time had an excellent

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attitude concerning the trip and concerning his efforts to assist the Bureau in the outlined program as previously furnished to the Bureau. At that time the informant was again briefed on security measures and was told to contact the New York Office only for emergency information or if a personal problem would come up. The informant advised that he expected to be gone for seven days or less but that the length of his stay would depend on what happened following his arrival.

The informant departed via American Airlines on November 22, 1952, for New York and according to information subsequently furnished by [redacted] he arrived at New York at 2:20 P.M. on that date. b7D

New York Air-Tel to the Bureau and Chicago of November 26, 1952, advised that the informant stayed at the residence of WILLIAM WEINER in Far Rockaway, Long Island, on the night of November 25 last and indicated to NY 694-S that he was treated "like a prodigal son" by WEINER. New York Air-Tel also advised that arrangements were being made for the informant to meet WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and possibly BETTY GANNETT. The Air-Tel also advised that the informant had indicated he anticipated the necessity for his remaining in New York possibly for the first week in December in order to complete certain business. The information furnished in referenced New York Air-Tel was confirmed in Chicago through telephonic contacts with [redacted] b7D

Contact was periodically maintained by telephone with [redacted] and on November 30 last this source advised that the informant had seen WILLIAM Z. FOSTER on the previous day and had a long and friendly talk with him, the details of which were not furnished to the source. The source also advised that she had learned that the informant would be unable to determine the exact date of his departure from New York because he had one more important appointment (possibly with BETTY GANNETT) and for that reason the informant advised that he was sending his father home by plane on the evening of December 1 last. b7D

On December 2 last [redacted] advised that CG-5824-S had telephonically advised on that date that he would return by plane on the evening of that date. The informant told the source that in his opinion the trip had been "successful, perhaps more so than expected". Further details were not available at the date of the writing of this letter; however, the Bureau will be fully advised as soon as contact is had with the informant on his return to Chicago and as soon as security is assured for such contact. b7D

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 12/4/52

FROM : CARL N. FREYMAN

SUBJECT: CG 5824-S (134-46)

On 12/3/52 the writer paid this informant the sum of \$400.00 for services rendered 11/16/52- through 11/30/52 and obtained a receipt. This money was obtained from SA WR Paxman and K. Schroeder in the amount of \$100.00 each and 200 from petty cash.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

December 8, 1952

SAC, CHICAGO (134-46)

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CG-5824-S

Re New York air-tel to Director and Chicago entitled as above dated December 2, 1952, advising that the captioned informant was returning to Chicago from New York on December 2, 1952, and that his mission to New York was regarded as successful, according to NY-694-S.

CG-5824-S was contacted on December 3, 1952, on his return to Chicago after spending 10 days in New York in an effort to establish direct contact with leadership in the National Office of the Communist Party for reactivation purposes.

The informant advised that because of a heavy schedule in New York and also because of a rough air trip home he was temporarily affected physically and would, therefore, only be able to outline what had occurred in New York. The letter, therefore, will only cover the phase of the informant's trip as it relates to the informant's reactivation efforts, and the details of the information obtained will be furnished to the Bureau and New York as soon as it is obtained in subsequent interviews with the informant.

Informant was, however, questioned as to whether or not he had obtained information concerning the whereabouts of the Comfugs and replied in the negative. The informant did furnish one item of information relating to a meeting of a "committee" consisting of key people and possibly some key persons in the underground in the immediate future. This information was furnished to the Director and New York by air-tel dated December 4, 1952, under caption "CP, USA; UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS; IS-C".

Concerning the trip, itself, the informant preferenced his remarks by stating that the results accomplished

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could never have been obtained without the constant help and counsel of NY-694-S who was constantly at hand to the point where he actually was away from his business office during the entire 10-day period.

The informant advised that on his arrival in New York he immediately went to the residence of NY-694-S where every aspect of the problem at hand was discussed. The informant had originally planned to contact STANLEY LEVISON, WILLIAM WEINER's assistant, and to use LEVISON to effect a contact with WEINER. However, the informant was unable to make the contact by phone due to a misspelling of the name of LEVISON. The informant then contacted WEINER through an unlisted phone number and WEINER arranged for LEVISON to secure apartment accommodations for the informant. The informant said that he met LEVISON, and they proceeded to a plant located somewhere on Third Avenue in New York City in which, the informant believed, LEVISON has an interest where they met one JOE FILNER (phonetic) and obtained keys for an apartment. The informant then proceeded to the apartment located at 315 East 77th Street, apartment 5D, New York City, and was told that he and his father could use it during their stay in New York. The mailbox there lists this apartment under the name of KLEIN and the apartment phone number is LE 5-1170. The informant said that the apartment did not appear to be regularly occupied though there were a few suits of men's clothes and a brief case in the apartment. This information was furnished by CG-5824-S to NY-694-S who in turn furnished it to the New York Office.

The informant advised that FILNER gave him two phone numbers at which he, FILNER, could be reached, these being OR 4-8110 and RE 4-7965, which numbers, the informant believes, are possibly employment places for FILNER.

The informant advised that at this point he was uncertain as to whether or not the Party had laid a trap for him by furnishing this apartment for his use or whether the apartment was being provided by the Party in good faith. He, therefore, stated he gave the address to NY-694-S who stayed in the neighborhood at the informant's suggestion until about midnight of the informant's first night in the city. The

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informant, thereupon, decided to leave the apartment and explained his departure to the Party by stating that the apartment was inconveniently located. The balance of the 10 days was spent by the informant at the residence of NY-694-S.

The informant advised that all appointments for him in New York were made by either WEINER or LEVISON, the sole exception being his personal contacts with such comrades as LENA and MARCEL SCHERER.

On November 25, 1952, informant was invited to the WILLIAM WEINER residence on Long Island where he remained for one and a half days. Informant said that the conversations with WEINER covered many subjects of a personal and Party nature. WEINER was most cordial as was his wife. Informant said that he was able to explain his lack of contact with the National Office on a basis of his illness. Informant also brought WEINER to date on his marital status and accounted for his means of livelihood since he requested the National Office of the Communist Party to discontinue his pay in 1949. WEINER's reaction to the informant's [redacted] b7D

[redacted] was good and he made the comment that the informant's [redacted] was never very close to the movement anyway. He inquired as to the whereabouts of the informant's son, and the informant gave him the true facts concerning his son's attendance at college and that at the same time told WEINER that the son was in New York during the past summer and employed as a common worker at the plant owned by NY-694-S. Informant advised that the explanations were apparently satisfactory to WEINER and the next phase of the conversation turned to the informant's health.

The informant told WEINER that he was in New York on a strictly personal matter; that is, in the interest of his father's health and that he was not looking for a job and had never asked the Communist Party for financial help unless he was making a contribution to the Party. He said that his position on money was the same at this time and that he did not care to discuss money with WEINER because he felt that he, WEINER, if he gave informant money, would be doing it on a personal basis rather than with the sanction of the Communist Party, and the informant, therefore, would have to refuse any money offered. WEINER said that such was not the case at the present

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time because many of the expenditures of the Party are not now made on a personal basis but must be passed on by persons other than him.

The informant then told WEINER that his health was better and he now feels that if his services are needed he can take on some duties. He said that he had been consulted of recent date by some District No. 8 officials but only on so-called "post-mortem" matters. The informant told WEINER that he did not like this arrangement and if he assumed duties he insisted that he be placed in a position where blunders such as have been made by the Party in the recent past can be avoided. He was asked whether or not he could write, but informant did not commit himself to write although he said that he could write a little if specific subjects were provided. The informant then made the point that he feels that he might be used in some capacity in District No. 8. WEINER then told the informant that all such matters, as those under discussion and particularly in reference to any assignments for persons such as the informant, were decided by the "committee", and he told the informant that the informant would be contacted within the next month or so.

WEINER then suggested that the informant see WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and BETTY GANNETT, the leader of whom the informant was told is next to FOSTER in position at the present time. WEINER volunteered to arrange the FOSTER meeting for the informant.

WEINER told the informant that a National person was assigned to contact the informant in Chicago during the past month. However, while this person was in Chicago the Party there got information that the District No. 8 leadership was going to be arrested. As a result of this information, the Party leadership was ordered to go further underground and the National leader was ordered to leave the city without contacting informant. WEINER said that the raids failed to materialize because the FBI was unable to locate the subjects. He told the informant to expect a visitor in about a month after the "committee" meets.

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The meeting with WILLIAM Z. FOSTER was held on November 29, 1952, at the Savern (phonetic) Restaurant in the Pennsylvania Railroad Station where they met for lunch and talked for one hour and twenty minutes. The informant advised that it was unusual for FOSTER to leave his residence and that he rarely does it unless he desires to meet secretly with someone. The informant advised that he considered this of significance in his case. FOSTER was very friendly and discussed Party organizational problems, security matters, the Communist Party defense strategy in the current trial in New York, and the informant's health. FOSTER made some reference as to whether or not the informant could do some writing and the informant replied in the same manner as he replied to WEINER on this subject. FOSTER also made some general inquiry as to the informant's health and commented that he, FOSTER, WILLIAM WEINER, and BOB MINOR had continued their activity despite the fact that they have been sick for many years. The informant advised that the implication he got from FOSTER's remark was that FOSTER thought the informant should attempt to be of some service to the Party. FOSTER made no specific proposals to the informant concerning duties, but the informant advised that this is not unusual because FOSTER delegates these details. The meeting ended in a friendly manner with FOSTER departing first and leaving the informant with the lunch check. The informant was encouraged by FOSTER's reaction; first, because he, FOSTER, left his home to keep an appointment with the informant and secondly, because FOSTER spent one hour and twenty minutes with the informant, which is rare, as FOSTER never schedules appointments to last over a hour. Details regarding Party matters discussed will be obtained in subsequent interviews and furnished to New York and the Bureau.

The informant advised that on Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 1952, NY-694-S gave a dinner which afforded the informant the opportunity to visit with ISADORE BEGUN, former Bronx organizer, and with ALICE CITRON, prominent Communist writer and mother-in-law of NY-694-S and BEGUN. In addition to the above individuals, the informant met and talked with WILLIAM LAWRENCE, former National Committee member who has recently

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taken a Party assignment with LEM HARRIS, close associate of WEINER and now working with BEGUN on the Amnesty Committee, LEON JOSEPHSON, IRA WALLACH, who writes for the "Daily Worker" under the name of TED TINSLEY and who has succeeded JOHN LUTNER on the New York District Control Commission, MARTIN YOUNG, former National Committee member now awaiting deportation, and with MARCEL and LENA SCHERER, former National Chairman of the National Labor Conference for Peace and New York Organization Secretary, respectively. The informant also contacted by telephone an old acquaintance, JERRIMIAH INGERSOLL, who, at one time, was associated with LEM HARRIS.

Concerning all these contacts, the informant advised that they were arranged by WEINER and LEVISON. The conversations were friendly and valuable information obtained, according to the informant. This information will be immediately set forth for the Bureau and New York in detail following subsequent interviews with the informant.

On December 1, 1952, the informant again met WEINER by appointment. On this occasion WEINER told the informant that he had two small tasks for the informant to do following his return to Chicago. He told the informant to check with DAVID ENGLESTEIN, Communist Party open leader in Chicago, and with BEN GREEN, brother of GIL GREEN, Comfug subject, on one Doctor MEYER (phonetic), formerly of Chicago, who has been in New York for about a year and is trying to get into the movement in New York. The second task for the informant was to contact LEON KATZEN, Communist Party Financial Secretary of District No. 8, now underground, and to have KATZEN assign two persons full time to promoting the new PAUL ROBESON album in Chicago, Illinois.

WEINER then explained to the informant that KATZEN had been originally delegated to contact the informant merely to establish a contact with the National Office in a semi-official capacity. He stated that KATZEN was not, in fact, a spokesman for the National Office. This statement was interpreted by the informant to mean that WEINER was clarifying KATZEN's Party status in relation to his dealings with the informant.

A means of communication was next arranged between the informant and WEINER and the National Office, whereby it was arranged

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that the informant was to send letters to NY-694-S who in turn would turn them over to ISADORE BEGUN. STANLEY LEVISON will obtain all literature for the informant in New York which the informant is unable to obtain in Chicago and will furnish it to NY-694-S for transmittal to the informant at the residence of the informant's father in Chicago, Illinois.

WEINER then told the informant that the "committee" was scheduled to meet on December 1, 1952. However, the meeting had been postponed because of the ROBERT MINOR funeral. WEINER indicated that the meeting had been re-scheduled for the immediate future. The informant made the inquiry that since he would be involved in the discussions of the committee whether WEINER desired him to remain in New York a day or two longer. WEINER's reply was to the effect that it would be unnecessary for the informant to remain in New York since he had been in New York long enough due to his health and that the informant should go home and wait until he will be contacted in a month or so.

The informant advised that he had been able to side-step a meeting with BETTY GANNETT because in conversations with comrades in New York they indicated that GANNETT is presently in such a nervous state that one could not predict how she will act or what she will say in a given situation. The informant said that since he saw FOSTER, GANNETT would have to fall in line with any plans made for him in the future and that, therefore, he, the informant, had everything to lose and nothing to gain by personal contact with her. The informant said that MINOR's funeral on December 2, 1952, afforded him the opportunity to side-track GANNETT.

#### Evaluation of Results of New York Trip

Summarizing the informant's opinion as to the results obtained from this trip in so far as reactivation efforts are concerned, the informant stated as follows:

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1. He re-established his lost contact with top leadership in the National organization of the Party; thus, proving that while the National organization may have been doubtful concerning his status, they attributed his inactivity to his illness.
2. The fact that the informant met with FOSTER and WEINER and numerous other key functionaries proves that the Party still holds him in high regard and confidence.
3. FOSTER and WEINER, in discussing some of the most "intimate" Party problems with the informant, indicated their complete trust in him.
4. The fact that the informant was furnished keys to an apartment used by the Party when it contained clothing, a brief case, etc., is further indication of the Party's trust in him.
5. The assignment of the informant to two minor tasks, one of which places him in contact with a Communist Party underground official in Chicago, is indicative that the Party has plans for his future use.
6. Meetings with comrades were arranged for the informant, and, by so-doing, the leadership exposed certain people who work for both FOSTER and WEINER to the informant.



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7. The fact that the informant was able to reach FOSTER, himself, in a matter of days, when key people in New York have difficulty ever seeing him, is indicative of the confidence that FOSTER puts in him.

#### Contemplated Plans

The complete details of the information obtained in New York by the informant will be obtained in future interviews and provided to the Bureau and New York as early as such interviews can be arranged with security.

Since it is now quite apparent that this informant has the ability to reach top leadership and appears to be on the way to a leadership position, this office will continue to develop informant through careful handling and on a long range basis.

The informant has re-established National connections and has clarified his position as it relates to District No. 8 functionaries. It is, therefore, believed that the ground work has been successfully laid and that any future positive actions by the informant might be cause for suspicion.

In discussions on December 3, 1952, it was agreed that the next move is up to the Party and that specific assignment must be decided upon by the "committee" mentioned by WEINER. Since WEINER mentioned that the informant would be contacted in a month or so, it is believed that the situation now resolves itself into a period of waiting.

In the meantime the informant will carry out the tasks assigned to him by WEINER, and, by so-doing, will be in touch with the Communist Party, District No. 8, functionaries, such as KATZEN, presently underground, DAVID ENGLESTEIN, Communist Party open leader in Chicago, and possibly with BEN GREEN, brother of GIL GREEN, Comfug.

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The informant continues to be in an excellent frame of mind insofar as his cooperation with the Bureau is concerned, and it appears that the result of the recent Czech Communist trials has resolved any doubts that the informant may have had in his mind concerning his conclusions of the right or wrong of his ideological break with the Party.

The Bureau will be advised of all the developments. One copy of this letter is submitted to New York for information.

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CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. ON DECEMBER FOUR, FIFTY TWO NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO REGARDING ACTIVITIES OF CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S IN NYC. NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S STATED THAT DETAILS CONCERNING THE MATTERS REFERRED TO HEREIN WOULD HAVE TO BE FURNISHED BY CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. THE FIRST CONTACT OF CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S AFTER HIS ARRIVAL IN NYC WAS BY PHONE WITH WILLIAM WEINER WHO GREETED HIM WARMLY AND SUGGESTED THAT CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S CALL

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- 1 - NY 134-91 (NY-694-S)
- 1 - NY 100-92763 (PETTIS PERRY)
- 1 - NY 100- (STANLEY LEVISON)
- 1 - NY 100-7577 (WILLIAM WEINER)
- 1 - NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)
- 1 - NY 100-90890 (JOSEPH FILNER)
- 1 - NY 100-7658 (LEM HARRIS)
- 1 - NY 100-5767 (MARCEL SCHERER)
- 1 - NY 100- (LENA SCHERER)
- 1 - NY 100-13483 (BETTY CANNETT)
- 1 - NY 100-467 (BILL LAWRENCE)
- 1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA - FUNDS)
- 1 - NY 100-21431 (MARTIN YOUNG)
- 1 - NY 65-34 (LEON JOSEPHSON)
- 1 - NY 100-99873 (BARNEY JOSEPHSON)
- 1 - NY 100-13472 (GILBERT GREEN)
- 1 - NY 100-105699 (COMFUGS)
- 1 - NY 100- (MILTON HELLER)

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STANLEY LEVISON. SIX NINE FOUR DASH S ADVISED THAT WEINER WITH LEVISON'S ASSISTANCE CONTROLS THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF THE CP, USA. AS A RESULT OF A CALL TO LEVISON FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S MET LEVISON IN FRONT OF NY PUBLIC LIBRARY, FORTY SECOND ST. AND FIFTH AVE., NYC. LEVISON TOOK FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S TO THE OFFICE OF TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES, EIGHTH FLOOR, WEST THIRD ST. AND WEST BROADWAY, NYC, WHERE THE INFORMANT WAS INTRODUCED TO JOSEPH FILNER WHO ACCORDING TO SIX NINE FOUR DASH S IS INVOLVED WITH TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES IN THE CP FINANCIAL OPERATIONS UNDER LEVISON. LEVISON TOLD THE INFORMANT THAT TECHNICAL ASSOCIATES HAS A GOVERNMENT CONTRACT. SIX NINE FOUR DASH S COULD NOT ELABORATE ON THIS CONTRACT. FILNER GAVE FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S A KEY TO HIS APARTMENT, FIVE D, THREE ONE FIVE EAST SEVENTY SEVENTH ST., NYC, A BUILDING OPERATED BY STANLEY LEVISON. THE LETTER BOX FOR THIS APARTMENT IS IN NAME D. KLEIN. DUST, GRIT ON THE FLOOR, AND RUST IN THE FAUCETS INDICATED THE APARTMENT WAS SELDOM USED. PHONE IN APARTMENT HAS NUMBER LE FIVE DASH ONE ONE SEVEN ZERO. BRIEF CASE IN CLOSET OF APARTMENT CONTAINED LETTER FROM ERNEST M. MASSEY, FIFTY FOUR RUE FONDARY, PARIS ELEVEN, FRANCE TO JOSEPH H. FILNER, CARE OF SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH,

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ONE FOUR NINE EAST TWENTY SIXTH ST, NY TEN, NY. LETTER DATED APRIL NINE, FORTY EIGHT FROM BERK CO, EXPORTERS AND IMPORTERS, SUITE NINE ONE ONE, THREE ZERO FIVE BROADWAY, APPARENTLY NYC, SIGNED FRED BERK. INFORMANT DID NOT KNOW TO WHOM THIS LETTER WAS ADDRESSED. HOTEL BILL DATED MAY TWENTY FIVE, FORTY EIGHT, NUMBER ONE ZERO TWO THREE, FROM BARBIZON PLAZA HOTEL, NYC, TO JOSEPH FILNER AND JULES EHMAN OF PITTSBURGH, PA. LETTER FROM ALLIED LABORATORIES INSTRUMENT CO, INC, TO JOSEPH FILNER, THERMO ELECTRIC FUSE CORP, FOURTEEN CHURCH ST, APPARENTLY NYC. THIS LETTER WAS SIGNED ARTHUR POGAN. SIX NINE FOUR DASH S DID NOT KNOW THE DATE OF THIS LETTER. FINANCIAL REPORT DATED JANUARY THIRTY ONE, FIFTY ONE FROM STUART S. GOULD CO, CPA'S, NYC, FOR THE THERMO ELECTRIC FUSE CORP. BAGGAGE CHECK SIXTY TWO DASH SEVENTY EIGHT DASH THIRTY FOUR OF PAN AMERICAN AIRLINES INDICATING TRAVEL TO NY AFTER A TRANSFER AT BERMUDA. PIECE OF PAPER APPARENTLY WITH REFERENCE TO FLIGHT TO LISBON, PORTUGAL ON JUNE TWENTY FIRST, FIFTY, VIA EASTERN AIRLINES. NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S STATED THAT MASSEY, BERK, EHMAN, POGAN, THE SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH, BERK CO., THERMO ELECTRIC FUSE CO. AND PROBABLY THE ALLIED LABORATORIES INSTRUMENT CO. ARE ALL INVOLVED IN THE OF FINANCIAL APPARATUS UNDER LEVISON. INFORMANT'S ONLY EXPLANATION FOR THIS IMPLICATION

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WAS THAT SINCE FILNER IS INVOLVED WITH LEVISON ALL OF FILNER'S CONTACTS MUST BE PART OF LEVISON'S OPERATION. ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE, FIFTY TWO FIVE TWO EIGHT FOUR DASH S MET WEINER AT THE PENN. STATION PAREN. RR PAREN. IN NY AND PROCEEDED WITH WEINER TO THE LATTER'S HOME AT TWO EIGHT SEVEN NINE FABER TERRACE, FAR ROCKAWAY, NY, WHERE HE STAYED OVERNIGHT. HE WAS RECEIVED CORDIALLY BY WEINER WHO CALLED IN LEM HARRIS, ASSISTANT TO WEINER IN THE CP FINANCIAL APPARATUS, AND INSTRUCTED LATTER TO ARRANGE A MEETING OF FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S WITH WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. WEINER AND FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S DISCUSSED VARIOUS CP POLITICAL MATTERS AND FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S INFERRED THAT WEINER IS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT POLITICALLY WITH FOSTER. WEINER WAS CURIOUS TO KNOW HOW FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S EXISTED DURING THE PAST FOUR YEARS AND FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR GAVE HIM A PLAUSIBLE EXPLANATION WHICH SEEMED TO SATISFY WEINER. FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S MENTIONED THAT SIX NINE FOUR DASH S HAD BEEN OF CONSIDERABLE ASSISTANCE TO HIM FINANCIALLY. THROUGH ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY LEM HARRIS, WHICH REQUIRED THREE DAYS TO EFFECT, FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S MET WILLIAM Z. FOSTER FOR LUNCH AT THE SAVARIN RESTAURANT IN THE PENN. STATION. THEY FIRST DISCUSSED EACH OTHER'S

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HEALTH PAREN. FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S IS OF OPINION FOSTER SEEMS AS WELL AS EVER PAREN. FOSTER MENTIONED THAT HE IS QUITE BUSY IN WRITING ANOTHER BOOK. FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S EXPLAINED WHY HE HAD COME TO NY, MENTIONING HIS FATHER'S CONDITION, AND STATED THAT WHILE IN NY HE DESIRED TO BE BRIEFED ON VARIOUS PARTY MATTERS. THEY DISCUSSED VARIOUS QUOTE HIGH LEVEL UNQUOTE POLITICAL MATTERS WHICH, ACCORDING TO NY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S, CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S WILL REPORT IN DETAIL TO THE CHICAGO OFFICE. FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S NOTED THAT NO REFERENCE TO THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN TRIALS WAS MADE BY FOSTER. FOSTER INQUIRED WHETHER FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S COULD WRITE AND FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S REPLIED THAT HE COULD NOT WRITE OWING TO A PARTIALLY DISABLED HAND. WITH REFERENCE TO A PARTY ASSIGNMENT, FOSTER SUGGESTED THAT FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S SEE BETTY GANNETT. FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S DID NOT ATTEMPT TO SEE GANNETT, FEELING SHE MIGHT ARBITRARILY PLACE HIM IN A POSITION WHICH HE WOULD NOT WISH TO ACCEPT, BUT WHICH, IF OFFERED TO HIM BY GANNETT, HE MIGHT BE COMPELLED TO ACCEPT. FOSTER ASKED FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S HOW LIL GREEN, WIFE OF GIL GREEN, WAS. FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S STATED HE DIDN'T CONTACT HER INASMUCH AS SHE PROBABLY IS UNDER SURVEILLANCE. FOSTER MENTIONED THAT HE DOES NOT SEE THE WIVES OF THE CP FUGITIVES.

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IN MENTIONING BROWDER, HE CURSED THE LATTER. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S ALSO VISITED LENA AND MARCEL SCHERER, FIVE HUNDRED B GRAND ST, NYC, WHO TOLD HIM THAT BETTY GANNETT AND PETTIS PERRY ARE QUOTE RUNNING THE SHOW UNQUOTE, THAT CP IS UNHAPPY OVER SMITH ACT TRIAL IN NYC, ESPECIALLY ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN'S TESTIMONY, AND THAT MARCEL HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY BUREAU AGENTS, HAD BEEN UNCOOPERATIVE, AND HAD IMMEDIATELY ADVISED THE CP OF THE CONTACT. CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S ALSO VISITED BILL LAWRENCE, THIRTY GREENWICH AVE, NYC, FORMER NY COUNTY CP FUNCTIONARY, WHO STATED THAT THE CP WAS DISAPPOINTED IN THE PROGRESS OF THE CP TRIAL IN NYC BECAUSE THE PRESS WAS NOT GIVING IT SUFFICIENT PUBLICITY TO PERMIT IT TO HAVE ANY PROPAGANDA VALUE. LAWRENCE STATED THAT THE CP EXPECTED THE DEFENDANTS TO BE CONVICTED, HIGH BAIL, AND ULTIMATE IMPRISONMENT FOR THE DEFENDANTS. LAWRENCE ALSO ADVISED THAT HE HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY BUREAU AGENTS AND HAD REFUSED TO COOPERATE. LAWRENCE ALSO STATED THAT HE HAD FURNISHED ALL OF THE DETAILS OF THE CONTACT TO THE CP. SIX NINE FOUR DASH S ALSO ADVISED THAT CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S CONTACTED MARTIN YOUNG, CP MEMBER WHO IS SUBJECT TO A DEPORTATION ORDER. ACCORDING TO YOUNG, CONDITIONS ON ELLIS ISLAND WHERE HE HAD BEEN DETAINED



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BEFORE BEING RELEASED ON BAIL, WERE INTOLERABLE, AND HE ADVISED THE PARTY TO THAT EFFECT THROUGH HIS WIFE. . THE PARTY DID NOT BELIEVE HIS CHARGES, STATING CONDITIONS AS DESCRIBED BY MARTIN COULD NOT BE AS BAD AS HE STATED. MARTIN SUCCEEDED IN TRANSMITTING INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO ELLIS ISLAND TO THE SOUTH AMERICA PRESS WHERE IT RECEIVED PUBLICITY. PRIOR TO LEAVING FOR CHICAGO, FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S HAD BREAKFAST WITH LENA SCHERER AT THE QUOTE COOKERY UNQUOTE, A RESTAURANT LOCATED AT SEVEN FOUR EIGHT LEXINGTON AVENUE, NYC, OPERATED BY LEON AND BARNEY JOSEPHSON. SIX NINE FOUR DASH S, WHO ALSO WAS PRESENT, STATED THAT LEON INVESTIGATED GOVERNMENT WITNESSES IN VARIOUS CP TRIALS. LEON TOLD SIX NINE FOUR DASH S THAT HE WAS QUOTE TOO MUCH INVOLVED IN HIGHLY SECRET STUFF TO TALK. I CAN'T EVEN TALK TO YOU UNQUOTE. SIX NINE FOUR DASH S STATED HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER BARNEY JOSEPHSON IS PRESENTLY ENGAGED IN PARTY WORK. ACCORDING TO SIX NINE FOUR DASH S PARTY MEMBERS ARE FREQUENTING THE QUOTE COOKERY UNQUOTE. IT IS SIX NINE FOUR DASH S' UNDERSTANDING THAT AS A RESULT OF FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S' CONTACTS WITH CP PEOPLE IN NY, HE WILL BE UTILIZED AS FOLLOWS: ONE. FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S WILL MAIL LETTERS TO SIX NINE FOUR DASH S FOR DELIVERY TO WEINER THROUGH MILTON HELLER, WEINER'S SON-IN-LAW. SECOND. STANLEY LEVISON WILL SEND PARTY

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MATERIAL THROUGH SIX NINE FOUR DASH S. TO CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S. IT ALSO IS ANTICIPATED BY SIX NINE FOUR DASH S THAT HE WILL BE CONTACTED BY THE SCHERERS, BILL LAWRENCE AND MARTIN YOUNG. IN ORDER THAT THE ABOVE INFO MAY BE EXPEDITIOUSLY TRANSMITTED TO THE BUREAU, THE RESULTS OF ANY REQUIRED INVESTIGATION AND REFERENCE CHECKS WILL BE FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU UNDER INDIVIDUAL CASE FILES. IT MAY BE NOTED THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN HAS BEEN CHanneled TO PERTINENT FILES IN THE NYO. IN EVENT DISSEMINATION OF ABOVE INFO IS NECESSARY, EXTREME CARE SHOULD BE EXERCISED TO PROTECT IDENTIFY OF THE INFORMANTS.

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SECURITY INFORMANT

CG-5824-S

Chicago, Illinois

Chicago File No. 134-46

Bureau File No. 61-7665  
and 66-2542

INSPECTOR STEIN:

This is a pending case, Chicago origin,  
assigned to Special Agent CARL N. FREYMAN  
under the direct supervision of Co-ordinating  
Supervisor JOSEPH P. MC MAHON.

BACKGROUND

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Informant is white, male, born in Kiev, Russia, June 10, 1902,  
naturalized October 18, 1927; has high school education and is  
graduate of Lenin School; [redacted] in 1952 after amicable  
[redacted] has one child by former marriage; resides  
at known address in Chicago; employed as milk route salesman, 1920's  
and early 1930's and subsequently as CP, SA functionary until 1949;  
presently unemployed for reasons of health; has no military service,  
credit or criminal record.

Informant became affiliated with the Communist Party in this country  
as a charter member in 1921 and still retains his original membership  
card. He was active in the Communist Party and Communist Party youth  
movement during the 1920's and in 1929 was a member of the Communist  
Party District Committee and CP organizer in Chicago. He was an  
honored student at the Lenin School, 1929-32, receiving instruction  
on political education and military matters. He was leader of the  
American contingent of students at the school, being directly respon-  
sible for their discipline and answerable therefor to the Central  
Committee of the CPSU (B). He still retains some Moscow connections  
made during this period. On his return in 1932 informant became CP  
District Organizer at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and promoted the Mil-  
waukee Labor School as well as the publication "Wisconsin Voice of  
Labor". In 1935 he became District Organizer for the Communist  
Party at Chicago. From then until 1946 he occupied various CP  
functionary positions, such as District Chairman, State Secretary,

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and President of the CPA, all in District No. 8, Chicago. From 1946 to 1947 he was Editor of "The Daily Worker" in New York. He was a member of the National Committee and the National Board, CP, USA, from 1935 to 1947 and 1936 to 1947, respectively. At the request of EUGENE DENNIS, informant attended the Big Four Foreign Ministers Conference in Moscow during 1947 as a Daily Worker correspondent but for the primary purpose of determining the Russian attitude toward the CP, USA. While there he renewed his acquaintance with some of the Soviet leaders and the son of EUGENE DENNIS, who has resided in Moscow since the early 1930's.

Due to health conditions, informant became inactive in the Communist Party from mid-1947 until April, 1952, but was retained on a national CP, USA payroll until 1949. He has never openly broken with the Communist Party, although he states his ideological schism began perhaps as early as 1945.

He has been intimately acquainted and closely associated with top leadership of the CP, USA, including WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, for more than 25 years, and is still believed to be highly regarded by them because of his Lenin School training and actual leadership experience. He is intelligent and is regarded by the Communist Party as one of its top theoreticians, and by reason of his background and experience he is qualified to accept any CP leadership position.

This informant was developed under the Bureau's Toplev Program with the assistance of NY-694-S during April and May, 1952. Basic mistrust that information given by him might not be afforded adequate security formed the major obstacle in securing his cooperation, and was only broken by an intensive series of skillful conversations covering a period of approximately five weeks. The condition of informant's health also constituted an obstacle which has been solved by a medical examination which disclosed informant's normal life expectancy would not be materially lessened so long as he "worked within his known capacity". He was assigned a permanent symbol number on April 25, 1952 and since April 21, 1952 has been a regularly paid informant of the Chicago office, receiving varying amounts, tabulation of which appears elsewhere in this inspection report. Pursuant to Bureau authority he is presently receiving \$800 per month with no accounting required for funds used. On Bureau authority no statement of cooperation has been required. Assignment of alternate Special Agent contact has been made.

Due to the security consciousness of the Communist Party at this time, this informant is the personification of the Bureau's long-range informant development program, the ultimate objective being to place

him in a top level policy-making position in the Communist Party nationally with the view of locating Comfuga and Smith Act fugitives. All efforts to date have been directed toward this goal, with each positive move by informant made in a natural and cautious manner in order not to arouse undue suspicion. Progress has been slow but encouraging, with the Bureau being kept currently advised of all developments.

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Reports are usually oral and are quite detailed. On the basis of information given by him which has been later verified independently, he is considered reliable.

His chief present value lies in his wide personal knowledge and experience in all phases of Communist Party organization and activity since its inception in this country, and his intimate acquaintance with, or knowledge of, the background and activities of persons responsible therefor. If his development is continued along present lines, excellent possibilities exist of his becoming the most highly placed Bureau informant, and his future value may well prove incalculable. It is noted that, except for payment of \$100 per month for expenses, payments to this informant roughly approximate the gross salary of one Grade GS-13 Special Agent. His services are highly satisfactory and should be continued by all means.

EVALUATION OF INFORMANT

Excellent

DELINQUENCIES CHARGED

None

### INSTRUCTIONS TO SAC

- 1) Contacting Special Agents should continue to delve exhaustively into informant's vast knowledge of CP operations and methods from the inception of the organization in this country, as well as the individuals connected therewith.
- 2) Contacting Special Agents should continue to interview informant as frequently as adequate security will permit in order that the Bureau may receive the full benefit of informant's knowledge as soon as possible.
- 3) Informant's activities should be closely followed as in the past, both from the standpoint of insuring that maximum benefit to the Bureau will be derived from his services and in order to forestall any situation which might result in embarrassment to the Bureau.
- 4) So far as may be commensurate with due caution and considered judgment, contacting Special Agents should continue to make sure every possible opportunity is seized to enhance his position and importance or availability to the Communist Party for assignment.
- 5) Present close liaison with the Bureau and New York should continue on all phases of informant's development and activities inasmuch as his development is closely connected with that of NY-694-S.
- 6) It is suggested that each time informant is paid, a memorandum be promptly prepared for the administrative file indicating the date, time, place and amount of payment, period for which made, and the identity of the Special Agent making same.

Comments of Special Agent CARL H. FREYMAN, Co-ordinating Security Supervisor JOSEPH E. MC MAHON, and the SAC are requested.

SA CARL H. FREYMAN: Inspector's instructions have been noted and will be complied with. The commentary on page 2, paragraph 4, in reference to informant's present health can be stated as showing slight improvement possibly due to a medical examination which assured him that he had no other illnesses and that he might expect to live a normal life expectancy with his "Angina Pectoris" condition provided he allowed himself to work within his "known physical capacity". Informant knows this physical capacity and will work within it so as to give maximum assistance to the Bureau. It is to be noted, however, that informant's health will always limit his working capacity because of the insurable nature of his illness.

SUPERVISOR MC MARON: This case will be closely supervised.

SAC MALONE: This will be done.

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Chicago, Illinois  
December 12, 1952

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LAST, CAPTIONED ABOVE, CONCERNING SUBMISSION OF ALTERNATE  
SMITH ACT SUBJECT REPORTS. CHICAGO IS PLANNING TO INCLUDE  
INFO RECEIVED FROM CG FIVE EIGHT TWO FOUR DASH S IN CONNECTION  
WITH THESE REPORTS. BUREAU ADVISE WHETHER IT HAS ANY OBJECTION  
TO THE INCLUSION OF INFO RECEIVED FROM THIS HIGHLY PLACED  
INFORMANT.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 12/16/52

FROM : C. N. Freyman

SUBJECT: CG-5824-S (134-46)

On 12/16/52 the writer paid this informant the sum of ~~\$\$\$00.00~~ \$400.00 for services rendered from 12/1/52 through 12/15/52 and receipt was obtained.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

December 18, 1952

SAC CHICAGO (134-46)

*WES* CG 5824-S

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Rebulet to Chicago dated November 18, 1952, captioned CP USA Toplev, IS-C, wherein CG 5824-S was authorized to make a trip to New York for a period of seven days or less and Chicago was authorized to advance the informant the amount of \$276.80 for informant's expenses to be incurred on or about November 21, 1952. The authorization advised that this amount was to include two round-trip plane coach fares for the informant and his father who was to act as the cover for the informant with the net cost of these fares being \$151.20. Authorization was also received to advance the informant \$125 for expenses to be incurred during his trip which as previously stated was to last for a period of seven days or less.

Reference is also made to Butel to New York, copy to Chicago, dated December 2, 1952, authorizing New York to advance additional funds necessary in order to allow the informant to complete his mission in New York since it was necessary for the informant to remain there in excess of seven days.

Informant when contacted on December 3, 1952, advised that he had incurred additional expenses over and above the amount of \$125 as previously furnished by the Chicago Office but had received no funds from the New York office having borrowed necessary funds from NY 694-S for convenience purposes.

The Bureau is aware that at the present time, it appears that the informant's trip was successful in that he reached top national leadership in the Party and it appears he is being considered for an assignment by the National Office of the Communist Party at the present time.

The Bureau is advised that since the informant's return to Chicago, on December 2, 1952, there is every indication that he is highly regarded in the Party and during the period of the past two weeks, the informant has been in contact with key District 8 officials.

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Due to the fact that the informant was required to stay in New York for a period of ten days it became necessary for the informant to return his father to Chicago on the evening of December 1, 1952, and inasmuch as air coach transportation on that night was unobtainable, it was necessary for the informant to advance an additional \$9.75 to pay for a regular plane fare for his father to Chicago. On the following evening due to inclement weather, the informant was unable to obtain air coach passage for himself, thus necessitating the purchase of regular plane transportation for himself for the additional sum of \$9.75.

The Bureau will recall the informant's reluctance to keep anything on his person that might involve him in a security situation. The informant advised that such was the case on his present trip and for security reasons, he felt it inadvisable for him to make any notations as to the amounts he expended during his trip. The informant did roughly itemize the amounts expended which are being listed as follows:

Additional expenses for regular plane fare for his father on December 1, 1952, when air coach fare was not available -- \$9.75.

Additional expense for informant when air coach transportation was unavailable on December 2, 1952, due to inclement weather -- \$9.75.

Cabs used while in New York for necessary contacts with CP officials and for informant's purposes -- \$30.

Phone calls and miscellaneous expenses \$25.

Food, including luncheon for WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and a few of the CP people -- \$85.

Lodging -- none claimed. Informant was furnished with lodging by NY 694-S.

In connection with the above expenses, the informant advised that in order to make his contacts, he had at least two meals a day at restaurants. The informant advised that NY 694-S had expended his personal funds and had also used his automobile

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and that NY 694-S was making no claim for reimbursement. The amount spent by NY 694-S was of course in addition to the amount expended by CG 5824-S.

Inasmuch as the informant's expense itemization appeared reasonable considering the length of time he was away from Chicago and since the Bureau authorized New York to advance him additional necessary expenses involved because informant was in New York an additional three days, Chicago is compensating this informant for his necessary expenses as itemized which total \$159.50. The compensation, therefore, for expenses will be the difference between the actual expenses incurred of \$159.50 and the amount of \$125, which was advanced to him previous to his departure, making a balance of \$34.50 due the informant.

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December 19, 1952

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Re Chicago letter dated October 6, 1952, and Bulet dated October 23, 1952, advising that the Bureau was consulting the criminal division of the Department of Justice for advice concerning the problem of possible methods that might be used by the informant and informants generally to report income without divulging the fact that income is received from the Bureau for confidential services.

CG 5824-S is becoming increasingly worried about this problem due to the fact that the end of the year is approaching, thus requiring the submission of Income Tax Returns and feels that a solution must be arranged that would allow him to report income but without reporting under his true name and also because he feels that because of his increased activity in the Party his security insofar as his relations with the Bureau are concerned creates great problems.

A complicating factor in the submission of Income Tax Returns in the informant's case has also arisen since the submission of the original Chicago letter, due to the fact that the informant has recently married and his wife is privately employed and for cover purposes is the informant's main source of income. Since informant's wife will therefore be required to identify her husband and state whether her return is a joint return, and must state whether or not informant has income, and take either two or one exemption according to the way she will answer the questions, it is apparent that the original situation is further complicated.

The Bureau is advised that informant regards a solution to this problem as of first importance for his security. He points to the fact that the CP knows he has no income and also to the fact that if he did file under his own name the mere fact that his true name appears on a return if it got to the CP through a CP member or sympathizer in the Internal Revenue would immediately destroy him as a Bureau Informant. Informant regards this problem so seriously that he has said if some solution to this problem cannot be arranged, he is apprehensive that

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his security will be jeopardized to the extent that his continued work with the Bureau will be seriously endangered. The informant considers his assistance to the Bureau as his contribution to a crusade against Communism. As such and since any success he might have depends on absolute security, the informant feels that the Government must find a solution to the income problem that will allow him to comply with the law and at the same time will insure continued service to the Bureau.

In view of this informant's increased concern in this problem, the Bureau is requested to advise at the earliest possible date, the suggestions received from the Criminal Division.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

DECEMBER 19, 1952

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Rebutel August 6, 1952, captioned as above, requesting bi-weekly summaries of the informant's reactivation efforts and Chicago letter, same caption, dated December 8, 1952 summarizing the results of informant's visit to New York and the CP contacts he made while there during the period November 22 through December 2, 1952.

The informant has been contacted on four occasions since his return to Chicago. Letters setting forth substantive information already obtained are in dictation for the Bureau and New York and additional interviews will be arranged consistent with security to complete the information being obtained from the informant's trip.

Referenced Chicago letter of December 8, last, detailed the names of the individuals contacted during the informant's New York trip, which included such party leaders as WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, WILLIAM WEINER, WILLIAM LAWRENCE and others; and, therefore, this letter will confine itself to a summary of the informant's contacts and information obtained since his arrival in Chicago on December 2, last; and also to appraise the Bureau of certain results obtained through investigation based on information furnished by this informant.

On December 5, 1952 [redacted] made contact with HARRY MILLER, the informant's CP contact with LEON KATZEN, District #8 underground leader, and advised MILLER that the informant had returned from New York and was desirous of seeing KATZEN. b7D

KATZEN and MILLER appeared at the informant's residence on the evening of December 8, 1952 and remained 1½ hours. KATZEN told informant that the purpose of his visit was first of all to get any immediate instructions that the informant may have received while in New York from the National Office and secondly to advise the informant that due to previous appointments he, KATZEN, would only stay a short time and would again see the informant during the following week.

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Informant told KATZEN generally about his New York trip and particularly referred to having a conversation with WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. He then told KATZEN that the "Center" asked the informant to get in touch with KATZEN and to have KATZEN assign two persons full time to pushing the new PAUL ROBESON Albums. Informant told KATZEN that he had additionally been requested to furnish the "Center" with a dossier on a Dr. MEYER, formerly of Chicago and now a teacher at the Jefferson School in New York. Informant said that he had been requested to contact DAVE ENGLESTEIN and BEN GREEN, brother of GIL GREEN, COMFUG subject, to vouch for MEYER as a party person. KATZEN told that he had received a previous request from New York on Dr. MEYER and had furnished a report sometime ago to the "Organization Secretary" but said that obviously the report had not reached the "Center" as yet. KATZEN told the informant to stay away from BEN GREEN for security reasons and that he would talk to GREEN and report back. On the ROBESON matter, KATZEN told the informant that he would have to take up the matter of assignment of personnel with the District Board of the Party. He told the informant that he would return the following week for an important discussion on political and related matters.

On December 7, 1952, the informant spent an evening with HARRY BRIDGES at BRIDGES' relatives' home in Chicago and had a private talk with BRIDGES. BRIDGES was enroute to New York for a testimonial dinner and the informant sent regards to Party people there. Informant again expects to see BRIDGES on BRIDGES' return to Chicago in approximately one week. On December 16, 1952, the informant exhibited a letter from LENA SCHERER of New York, stating that she had seen BRIDGES and had received the informant's regards. During the course of his conversation with BRIDGES, the informant discussed the BRIDGES' case as well as the Party strategy in connection with the pending CP trial in Hawaii.

On December 14, 1952, KATZEN arrived at the informant's residence at 7 PM and left the informant's residence at 3 AM, December 15. During the eight hour discussion, the conversations were most intimate relating to Party business and problems with KATZEN making notes on the suggestions offered by the informant.

KATZEN discussed the acute financial problems of the Party, informing the informant that even the underground leaders



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were being curtailed in the use of funds. He told the informant that the leaders have been ordered to sell their cars to raise money and to attempt to rent kitchenette apartments so that they could cook their own meals and cut down on expenses involved in restaurant eating.

He next discussed security problems telling the informant that he, himself, had moved nineteen times in the past two years in connection with his underground activities. He told the informant that the CP is aware that the Bureau uses attachments on CP cars that are under fisur, in order that the fisurs may be conducted at a distance of several blocks from where the car is. He told the informant that the CP located one of these gadgets at Cleveland and now all leaders are instructed to examine their car's wiring inside and out before entering them. KATZEN also told the informant that the CP is very conscientious of security and has its own experts to check for wire tapping and microphones. He then described a microphone that the Party located in an unspecified city whereby the Bureau was able to pick up conversations from an outside room by merely manually attaching the microphone to a common wall.

KATZEN then identified CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT as the present District Organizer of District #8, CP and "BILL" (believed to be WILLIAM SENNETT) as LIGHTFOOT's assistant. He told the informant that the Party structure in District #8 has been streamlined for security reasons so that now there are but two divisions, namely:

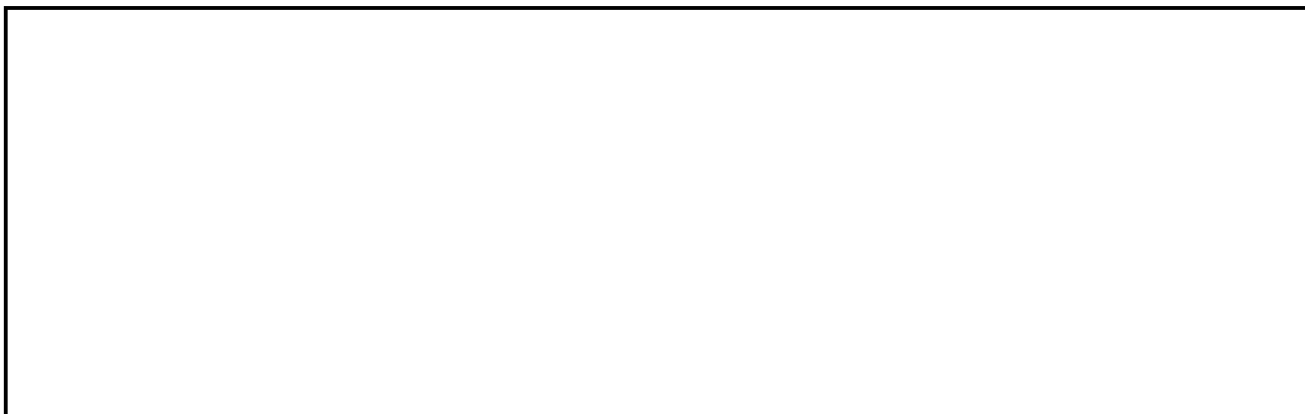
- (a) Community
- (b) Industrial.

KATZEN advised the informant that the Party has completely eliminated the Organization - Education Commission (Department) so that now the lower organization becomes more independent and all matters not settled in the lower echelon goes to the top, without review by any Commission. KATZEN then discussed the acute organizational and theoretical problems within the District in reference to the meaning of Party membership. Explaining this, KATZEN told the informant that members refuse to be self-sacrificing enough and that a theoretical basis must be found to promote greater sacrifice, both financial and in the form of greater activity among the membership.

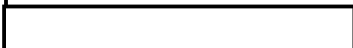
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The informant discussed this inter-party problems at great length with KATZEN and made suggestions concerning a tactical plan of approach to the membership. Additional matters discussed included the roll of the CP in the recent International Harvester strike in Chicago; the present situation in the Modern Book Store, CP outlet for publications in the Chicago area; the ROSENBERG case and the significance of the 19th Congress of the CPSU as it relates to the Soviet "Peace Offensive" and the CP, USA and individual members of the party.

On his departure, KATZEN advised the informant that he would keep in close contact with him and would see him again in the near future.



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Evaluation of Reactivation Efforts  
December 1, through 15, 1952

As stated in previous progress letters to the Bureau, it appears that the informant has laid all necessary ground work at both the National and District level of the Party that is necessary to effect full reactivation. It has been agreed with the informant that the next step concerning assignment is up to the Party and that the informant must for security reasons just "sit and wait."

Evidence of the informant's reactivation progress during the past month is apparent both from the nature of his contacts and from the confidential inner circle CP information that he has obtained during the past two weeks.

The informant is being closely supervised and is being afforded all possible security during contacts.

Status of Health and Attitude  
Toward Cooperation with Bureau

The informant's health is somewhat affected by his strenuous schedule of ten days in New York and also by virtue of a strenuous eight hour night session with KATZEN. He, however, continues to meet all commitments to the Bureau in reference to making contacts with CP officials and has never cancelled an appointment with the interviewing agent for reasons of health.

As the informant's contacts with Party functionaries have increased during the past month, he has become increasingly worried concerning security. Of great concern to him at the present time is the matter of how to report income received from the Bureau since it is generally known in Party circles that the informant is dependent entirely on his wife for income. For this reason, the informant contends that it is impossible for him to report income under his own name regardless of the source which he might use. He contends that if CP people or sympathizers are employed by the Internal Revenue and should perchance come across his name as reporting income, this would immediately come to the attention of the Party and his usefulness to the Bureau would immediately be destroyed.

This matter was first raised by the informant in October, 1952 at which time the Chicago Office advised the Bureau of the

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informant's position and requested that the Bureau advise as to the best method to handle this security problem. The Bureau by letter of October 23, 1952, advised that they are attempting to secure advice on this question from the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice and would advise Chicago of the results as soon as it became available. Chicago by separate letter, presently in dictation, is further detailing the problems involved in connection with the informant's submission of an income tax report and in view of the informant's feelings on this matter that it relates to security, the Bureau is being requested by this letter to give preferred attention to obtaining a solution.

The Bureau will be advised of all developments in connection with reactivation of this informant.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago (134-46)

DATE: December 29, 1952

FROM : Director, FBI (61-7665)

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SUBJECT: CG 5824-S

Reurlet December 18, 1952.

Authority is granted to reimburse informant  
\$34.50 for necessary expenses actually incurred.

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☐ Mr. Roche  
☐ Mr. Dennis  
☐ Mrs. Dolan  
☐ Miss Dunkel  
☐ Mr. Frankfurt  
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☐ Mr. Langille  
☐ Mr. McMahon  
☐ Mr. Murphy  
☐ Miss Ryan  
☐ Mr. Schneider  
☐ Miss Gray  
☐ Miss Woodruff  
☐ Leave Clerk  
☐ Supply Clerk  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 1/2/52

FROM : G. N. Freyman

SUBJECT: Cg-5824-S (134-46)

On 12/31/52, this informant was paid \$400.00 for services rendered during the period 12/16/52 through 12/31/52 and a receipt obtained.

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Chicago, Illinois

MEMO, SAC

ATTN: SA C.N. FREYMAN

RE: CG 5824 S  
SECURITY INFORMANT

The above captioned case is assigned to you. During your development and handling of this informant you should obtain complete personal history and background information, as well as issue certain instructions to him, and the administrative file should specifically reflect this information.

Ascertain his date and place of birth, which should be verified. If foreign born, ascertain and verify all naturalization data, including date and place of entry and citizenship status. Additional background information should include extent of education, names and locations of schools and years attended; marital status, including date and place of marriage, name and nationality of spouse, any marital difficulties; details concerning previous marriages, including date, place and manner of dissolution; number of children, their names, ages, occupations, and locations; past and present residences; and past and present employments and business connections. Military service records should be checked and present draft status and/or reserve status of all informants, both male and female, should be ascertained.

Credit records and local criminal records should be checked, as well as records of the Identification Division of the Bureau. The Identification record should be obtained on PSIs before one or two contacts have been made with the PSI.

The field office files should be checked for derogatory information, particularly of a subversive nature. Other SIs should be canvassed to see what they know of the informant and dis-

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creeet neighborhood and other inquiries should be made to establish informant's patriotism, reliability, integrity, loyalty and general reputation. Information as to informant's financial condition and physical condition should also be obtained; as well as a photograph and current description for identification purposes.

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The files should also reflect a detailed history of the informant's subversive activities, including dates of membership, names of organizations joined, official positions held, contacts with national and local functionaries, subscriptions to literature, etc., as well as information as to the manner in which he became an SI or FSI;

On PSIs results of your inquiries should be transmitted to the Bureau and authority requested to contact him. Female PSIs should not be interviewed in their homes or apartments unless necessary and all such interviews should be handled by two agents.

When contacted, if the individual is willing to act as an informant and does furnish information, he should be designated by a permanent symbol number and the Bureau advised. The proper suffix should be used in connection with the symbol number, such as "S" for security informant, "PS" for Potential security informant, and "CS" for confidential source. When the informant begins to furnish information, a sub file should be opened on the informant for such information. All information furnished by an informant should be channelized promptly to the appropriate files. Information furnished by an informant which is of interest to another government agency should be disseminated immediately to that agency.

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The files should reflect that the informant has been advised that his assistance is being rendered voluntarily; that his membership cannot be sponsored by the Bureau; that he can in no way consider himself to be an employee or "under-cover agent" of the Bureau; and that his cooperation must be strictly confidential at all times. If he is connected with a labor union, he must be informed that the Bureau is not interested in employee-employer relationships as such, but only infiltration in labor unions by subversive elements.



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As soon as possible, an alternate Special Agent should be designated as the informant's contact and this agent should become thoroughly familiar with the informant. The file, as well as the Security Informant card, should reflect the designation of an alternate SA contact. If there are any limitations as to contact with the informant, the file and the card should also reflect this. The informant should be instructed not to use his telephone but only public telephones in contacts with the office or agents. He should be furnished with the unlisted telephone number of the office for emergency purposes, as well as the telephone number of the agent and alternate SA contact. He should be reminded constantly to furnish information promptly.

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You should not only collect information from the informant, but should direct his activities. Specific instructions must be given the informant concerning the manner of preparing reports. If possible, the informant should submit reports in duplicate, one for the informant file and one for the applicable case file.

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If the informant is unable to personally deliver reports, a Post Office box should be obtained for the receipt of his reports. The informant should be given a code name for use in signing his reports and in communications between him and the office or agents, and the Bureau should be advised of the code name. The informant should sign his reports with his code name and should initial each page of his report with the initials of his code name. When mailing reports to a Post Office box, the envelope should not contain a return address. The agent upon receipt of the report should date and initial each page.

The informant should not mail pamphlets or other material, but should deliver these personally to an agent. The informant should place thereon his initials and the date he received it. The agent who receives the same should likewise date and initial the material.

The informant should be instructed not to retain copies of his reports and from time to time appropriate check should be made to determine if he is retaining copies.

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Arrangements for payment should be specific and no doubt should exist as to the method of payment, amount, place and time. Whenever the informant is paid, a memorandum should be prepared for his administrative file showing the time, date and

place of payment, by whom, the period for which made, and what amounts were paid for services and what amounts were paid for expenses.

Contact should be maintained with the informant as often as necessary consistent with security, but no less than once a month.

Memoranda should be incorporated in the informant's file on all contacts with him, whether telephonically or otherwise, and should reflect the identity of each case he was contacted on, whether he furnishes positive information or negative information.

If an informant is uncovered, he should be instructed vigorously to defend himself and demand proof of his informant activity.

A signed statement of cooperation should be obtained from the informant whenever feasible and practical, and where it is not practical, complete details should be called to the attention of the Bureau.

Informants must be advised that compensation made to them must be reported as income when filing an income tax return and must be reflected as self employment income or other income, as the facts warrant.

Each justification letter should show of what organizations the informant is an officer or a rank and file member, also what organizations he is not a member of but does furnish information on, as well as what localities he can furnish information on, such as headquarters city and various cities located within the division..

Each justification letter should also reflect the number of cases on which he has furnished information during the pertinent period, as well as a resume or summary of the information.

Additional background information should continuously be obtained from the informant and each justification letter should reflect current additional background, particularly information as to the informant's financial condition, emotional and mental stability, any information as to domestic difficulties, and other problems which would make him a risk as an informant.

Letters regarding informants should be sent Registered, should be marked "~~Confidential~~", and the concluding paragraph should be in conformance with SAC Letter #115, dated 10-28-52, when requesting

authority to make payments. Justification letters must be submitted to reach the Bureau at least two weeks prior to the expiration of the pay period for which authorization was previously granted.

If the informant is being considered under the long-range development program or is scheduled for apprehension under the Detcom Program, the file should also reflect this.

The Bureau should be immediately advised of the induction of any informant or the call of any informant to active duty as a reservist and the particular branch of service in which the informant will serve.

You should constantly re-evaluate informants to see that they meet the standards of a security informant and to adjust or discontinue payments if the information furnished is not commensurate with the payments being made to him.

*done* The Security Index Card of any subject who is developed as a Confidential Informant should be cancelled, and any Communist Index cards should be destroyed.

Additional instructions concerning the handling and development of informants is contained in Section 107, Manual of Instructions, and the 134-00 file.

JOSEPH P. MC MAHON  
SA

DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)(Registered)

January 3, 1953

*JFM* SAC, CHICAGO (134-46)

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Re Butel August 6, 1952 captioned as above requesting by-weekly summaries concerning the informant's reactivation efforts, and Chicago letter of December 19, 1952 bearing the same caption summarizing the informant's efforts for the first two weeks in December, 1952.

The following is submitted concerning the informant's activities during the period December 16 through December 31, 1952:

On December 16, 1952 the informant furnished a detailed oral report concerning his eight hour conference with LEON KATZEN, Communist Party, District No. 8 Financial Secretary who has been underground for two years, who visited the informant on the evening and morning of December 14 and 15, 1952. The information furnished covered the following specific subjects:

1. Status of District No. 8 finances.
2. Security measures of the Communist Party and the Communist Party's knowledge that the FBI uses directional radio equipment in connection with Fisurs and also uses contact microphones.
3. The identity of present District No. 8 leadership. (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, District Organizer, and WILLIAM SENWATT, District Organization Secretary)
4. Changes in the organizational structure of District No. 8 together with reasons for changes.
5. A lengthy discussion was held concerning the necessity of theoretical re-armament of the membership of District No. 8 Communist Party and the ways and means in which the problem could be solved.

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6. Status of the Modern Book Store, Communist Party literature outlet in the Chicago area, and the ways and means for expanding its credit.
7. The Rosenberg Case.
8. The International Harvester strike and the strategy to be employed by the Communist Party to combat possible UAW-CIO organization of the Harvester plants as a result of the defeat of FE-IE during the strike.
9. Discussion on the meaning of the 19th Congress of the Communist Party, SU as it relates to the Communist Party, USA.
10. The status of certain Communist Party people in the Chicago area.

The above conversation with KATZEN was extremely friendly and frank. At the conclusion of the conversation there was some discussion as to the advisability of KATZEN's remaining at the informant's residence for the balance of the night. It was decided that this was not advisable both for security reasons of KATZEN and the informant. KATZEN told the informant that he would keep in close contact with informant.

On the same date the informant also reported on letters received from LENA and MARCEL SOMMER of New York concerning certain problems of the National Office of the Communist Party as well as personnel and also concerning information about the recent Peace Congress at Peking, China.

On December 19, 1952 the informant continued his report on the substance of conversations held during the informant's recent trip to New York, specifically in reference to his conversation with WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, National Chairman, and with WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Former National Committee member. Valuable information was obtained concerning the Communist Party nationally including some information on future plans and the use of personnel.

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On December 22, 1952 discussion was continued on the informant's conversations with individuals during his New York trip including MARTIN YOUNG, presently under deportation proceedings for Communist activity. The informant, on the same date, advised that he and [redacted] had received an invitation for Christmas dinner at the residence of HARRY I. MILLER, the informant's contact with LEON KATZEN, presently in the Communist Party underground. MILLER had recently made a trip to New York where he had seen WILLIAM WEINER and STANLEY LEVISON, having previously first met with KATZEN. b7D

On December 23, 1952 [redacted] advised that she, on that date, had a telephone call from LEON KATZEN, previously referred to, who had requested that she meet him in a car in the vicinity of her place of employment. KATZEN, during the meeting, solicited the cooperation of this source for the placing of insurance and the source agreed to turn over her commissions to KATZEN for Party use. KATZEN was friendly and extended Holiday Greetings to both the informant and the [redacted] stating that he would soon see the informant again. b7D

On December 25, 1952 the informant and [redacted] spent Christmas with HARRY I. MILLER, who furnished informant with some information concerning his New York trip and contacts with Communist Party officials while there and at the same time told the informant that he expected to return to New York in about two weeks and volunteered to take any messages to New York that the informant might wish to send. b7D

The informant advised on December 30, 1952 that during a visit at informant's home by Doctor SAUL PEARLMAN, a Communist Party doctor, on December 24 last, he had considerable discussion and obtained information concerning FRANK MUCCI, missing District No. 8 functionary.

On the same date the informant advised that over the Holiday week-end he had visited with MILTON and SUE COHEN, active Communists and former employees of District No. 8. Informant furnished considerable local information obtained from these sources and also information concerning the present whereabouts of the members of the family of KITTY HARRIS, presently a subject of a current Bureau investigation. KITTY HARRIS, it will be recalled, was a paramour of EARL BROWDER.

On December 24, 1952 the informant advised he was visited by DAVID ENGLESTEIN, present open District No. 8 Communist Party Publicity

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Director, who was previously underground for two years. The informant obtained information at the request of the National Office from ENGLESTEIN concerning Doctor HERSCHEL MYERS, presently employed at the Jefferson School, New York. ENGLESTEIN also discussed certain theoretical problems with the informant that had arisen as a result of a nineteen hour continuous Seminar held in Chicago concerning Stalin's Theories on the "Economics of Socialism" which was given at the 19th Congress of the Communist Party, SU. ENGLESTEIN then told the informant that a "Draft Resolution of the National Situation Growing out of the Presidential Elections" would be published in the December 28, 1952 issue of "The Worker" and he, ENGLESTEIN, indicated to the informant that he knew the informant had assisted in the drafting of this key document on the National Communist Party, USA Policy during informant's recent visit to New York.

The informant said that he neither affirmed nor denied his participation in the drafting of the above described document but merely told ENGLESTEIN that he had a hand in the document in that he and FOSTER had some discussion on the points taken up.

On December 23, 1951 [ ] was in contact with SUE KLING, wife of JACK KLING, missing Communist Party National Functionary, at which time the source gave SUE KLING some Christmas gifts for her children. SUE KLING was friendly and asked the source for a donation for the Christmas Fund for the children of Communist victims who are either underground or in jail. She then told the source that she, the source, should give more active aid to the cause but before the source could reply to KLING's statement SUE KLING immediately apologized knowing that this source is believed by Party Officials to be contributing to the cause by virtue of her financial assistance to CG-5824-S. b7D

During the Christmas Holidays the informant, as he has done for years in the past, sent out approximately thirty Christmas Gifts to children of the Communist Party Functionaries now underground or in jail and it is believed that good results will again result from this gesture.

The informant continues to be in regular mail contact with LENA SCHERER, BILL LAWRENCE and other Communist Party people of influence in New York. One letter from SCHERER received on December 31st last advised that she and her husband were in Washington, D. C. contacting a person who was travelling abroad and that they had briefed this

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person on the present leadership of the Communist Party, USA, so that this person, while abroad, could advise appropriate people of the present situation of the Party in this country. This information was submitted by teletype to the Bureau, Washington Field and New York on the same date for information.

EVALUATION OF PROGRESS MADE AND  
FUTURE PLANS

The informant continues to make definite progress in his reactivation efforts as evidenced by the successful contacts he has had during recent weeks, particularly during the past six weeks. The quality of the information being furnished by this informant is indicative of the trust the Communist Party leadership places in him.

His attitude continues to be excellent and he considers his efforts as the most effective means he knows to assist in the control of the Communist Party and his goal continues to be to assist the Bureau in capturing the leadership of the Party. At present he is concerned with his problem of reporting income without the use of his name, because of his fear that any report of income under his true name might reach the Party and destroy his usefulness to the Bureau. A solution to this problem has been requested from the Bureau and suggestions will be transmitted to the informant immediately upon arrival.

The informant has not been contacted to date by the National Office representative whom he was told would contact him in a month or so following his return from New York. Informant was given a message through HARRY MILLER from WILLIAM WEINER that he, WEINER, might visit Chicago in the next few weeks if WEINER's immigration status is clarified.

Present plans are to await the National Office contact in the hope that the informant will receive assignment. The informant, in the meantime, is drafting a letter to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER to be delivered in the manner set up while the informant was in New York through NY-694-S. This letter will carry the informant's comments concerning the "Worker" article of December 28, 1952 previously referred to. The informant, of course, will continue his contacts in Chicago and will report this information as received.



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In view of the informant's present cooperative attitude and of his apparent progress in reactivation efforts, the Bureau is requested to authorize the submission of monthly rather than by-weekly reactivation progress letters.

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TO : SAC

DATE: 1/12/53

FROM : C. N. Freyman

SUBJECT: Cg 5824-S (134-46)

On 1/9/53 the writer paid the captioned informant the sum of \$34.50 for the balance of expenses incurred during his NY trip 11/22/52 to 12/2/52 as authorized by the Bureau. Receipt obtained. *Place Chalkum Hall*

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TO : SAC, Chicago (134-46)

DATE: January 6, 1953

FROM : Director, FBI (61-7665)

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SUBJECT: CG 5824-S

Reurlet December 19, 1952.

The Bureau has received a reply in this matter from the Tax Division of the Department indicating that inquiry has been made of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Various systems were advanced, the best of which would involve the transmission to the Bureau by the informant of any tax based upon Bureau income. This sum would then be transmitted by the Bureau to the Headquarters of Internal Revenue.

A final decision has not been made concerning this plan, but it is believed it will be possible to handle this matter in Washington without jeopardizing the informant's position locally.

As soon as a final decision is reached in this matter you will be advised.

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TO : SAC

FROM : SA CARL N. FREYMAN

SUBJECT: CG 5824 - S

DATE: January 14, 1953

In accordance with your request to be kept advised of any request of the captioned informant to meet with you personally, this will advise that on January 5, 1953 the informant again expressed a desire to see you personally to obtain your personal approval for the methods of operation to date and for contemplated steps toward re-activation in the future.

The writer in accordance with your instructions told the informant that an arrangement for a meeting date possibly during the week January 11, on a Tuesday or Thursday would be made if your schedule was such as time would be available for such meeting.

The informant stated that he particularly wanted re-assurance from you that every precaution is being taken with regard to insuring his security and further that the Bureau is not using the information he is providing for narrow and mechanical purposes, but instead is viewing the information he furnishes with the idea that Communism will be a continuing menace and that his assistance is being looked at from a long range viewpoint.

It was felt that you can re-assure the informant that the Bureau is approaching the Communist problem with the view that Communism will be a continuing problem and that present and future objective is to neutralize or control the Party through the assistance of individuals such as CG 5824 - S, and it is believed that this explanation will be satisfactory to the informant.

It is also suggested that you might possibly elaborate on this point by telling the informant that the Bureau has long range program of training agents to better understand the minds of Communists so that Communism and Communists' work can better be combated. It might be explained that the Bureau's research program is such that all information furnished by people such as the informant is correlated and evaluated in a manner that provides assistance to the Bureau in its future activities.

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The informant might additionally be assured that the information he furnishes concerning international Communist matters, particularly in reference to international Communist propaganda and how Communist propaganda traps can be averted is being immediately transmitted to the appropriate agencies for their consideration and action.

The informant in speaking of his security as well as the security of other persons similarly assisting the Bureau feels that they can be of greater potential value if certain other problems can be solved. He made particular reference to his feeling that every effort should be explored to insure that more adequate guarantees are provided in matters relating to concealing identity and that income is being received from the Bureau. On the latter point CG 5824-S feels that the recent Communist Party Press disclosures of income received by witnesses at Communist trials serves as an effective "propaganda" weapon for the CP to destroy any possible future potential usefulness of this individual to influence former friends and associates to defect since it brands the cooperating person as one who was bought and a "stool pigeon."

It is felt that the informant can be reassured that every effort is made by the Bureau not to publicize such matters but that it is difficult to keep these matters from the record during trials. He can be assured that the Bureau is constantly exploring ways and means to improve present methods of operation and that any constructive suggestions are welcomed.

Directly related to security and presently the chief concern of the informant is the problem of how he might report his income received from the Bureau and at the same time keep his identity concealed. Informant feels that the reporting of income under his true name might destroy him insofar as the Bureau is concerned because income tax returns are available to many persons and it is just possible there is a Communist sympathizer in Internal Revenue who might observe his tax report and report his income to the C. P. This problem

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was first presented to the Bureau by letter on October 15, 1953 and the Bureau advised by Bulet on October 23, last that the matter had been referred to the Criminal Division of the Department for solution. A follow-up letter was directed by this office on December 18, last and the Bureau by letter of January 6, last advised that a number of plans were being considered, the best of which would involve the transmission to the Bureau by the informant of any tax based on Bureau income, however a final decision has not been made concerning this plan. It would be helpful if you would assure the informant that the Bureau is cognizant of this security problem and that a satisfactory solution is in the making.

The final point that informant has indicated a desire to discuss is the matter of the Bureau's full understanding of the problems involved in his reactivation efforts at the high level at which his efforts are directed. It would be helpful if you would reassure him that the Bureau is fully cognizant of the problems and views his efforts on a long range basis, being hopeful that tangible results will occur in the near future and at the same time realizing that because of the present Party security program, the Party's knowledge of the condition of his health, or for other reasons the Party may not see fit to assign him in the immediate future.. He might be told that to date his reactivation efforts have been very encouraging and fruitful and that it appears that there is every indication that tangible results will be obtained. He might also be assured that the Bureau will work with him on the mutually agreed to program of attempting to place him at the highest possible level in the inner circle of the Communist apparatus and that the Bureau desires him to continue to work to effect this objective.

Informant can also be told that while the program above outlined is the objective, it is realized that the goal may not be possible to reach for one reason or other. In such case he might be told that on a basis of his proven ability to reach top leaders at a national and local level during the past few months and also on the basis of the quality of the information he has obtained his services will continue to be of great value in combatting the international Communist conspiracy.

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For your information, informant has indicated that he possibly will discuss with you future contemplated steps in connection with his re-activation efforts. These steps are still in the discussion stage and are being considered for action possibly within the next two to six months and whether or not they will be taken will depend on future developments emanating from the Party. Among the matters presently under discussion are the following:

1. The informant is directing letters to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, ~~Regional~~ Chairman of the CP, and, to WILLIAM WEINER, who is connected with finances in the national office. These letters will possibly be sent within the next twenty days. The FOSTER letters will be constructive in nature so far as Party work is concerned and will make reference to the national committee's program as outlined in the "Daily Worker".
2. At the informant's next meeting with LEON KATZEN, District No. 8 CP Underground functionary, the informant intends to ask KATZEN for the informant to see CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT presently the Organizational Secretary of District No. 8, now underground.
3. After seeing CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, the informant is considering a second letter to be written to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER speaking as an "old timer" and telling FOSTER that District No. 8, CP policies need clarification.
4. In the event that the national office fails to respond to the informant either through the steps above outlined or through its ~~other~~ action within the next two to four months, the informant is then considering the advisability of his appearing at one or possibility two open meetings in the Chicago area in order to force the Party to recognize that he is able physically to participate in Party activities and further to cause the Party to recognize that he retains prestige and influence among local Communists and that his leadership potentialities must also be recognized.



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In conclusion, it is pointed out that the informant's frame of mind is extremely good. Although his health shows some effects due to his work in the past nine months, he moves about freely and gives no outward indication of decline.

The informant has been given assurances that the Bureau considers his security of primary importance and that all efforts are being directed toward protecting the confidential nature of his work and in addition to solve problems particularly in reference to his income tax reporting. It is also pointed out that he has also been told that there is great difficulty in assuring anyone of absolute security, but that the Bureau's efforts are pointed toward making his position as secure as possible. He has also been repeatedly assured that the Bureau regards his efforts to date as very encouraging and that it recognizes the desirability of proceeding cautiously particularly when efforts are directed to placing him at a high level. It is believed that if you assure the informant that you are being kept advised on a day to day basis, this assurance will be entirely satisfactory to the informant.

It is respectfully requested that the SAC meet with the informant as soon as convenient, possibly on January 15, next. The writer will arrange that the proposed meeting can take place in a loop hotel.

DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

January 15, 1953

SAC, CHICAGO (134-46)

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Reference Bulet dated October 22, 1952, authorizing the continuance of payments to this informant up to \$800 per month effective November 1, 1952, for a period of three months. It was understood that of this sum, \$600 would be used for living expenses including payments on the informant's car, \$100 for miscellaneous expenses including entertainment, ordinary travel and literature and \$100 for payments on back debts.

During the past two and one half months, the informant appears to have made definite progress toward reactivation at a high level in the leadership in the Communist Party as evidenced by Communist Party leaders with whom the informant has been in contact and by the quality and accuracy of the information presently being furnished by this informant.

The informant is contacted regularly on an average of two times a week and in that connection, contacts are being intentionally limited for security reasons. The average length of these meetings is from four to six hours.

The informant's health continues to be about the same from outward appearances and he has never cancelled a meeting held with agents or with Communist leaders for reasons of health. Because of the nature of his illness, the informant is susceptible to changes of weather, especially to dampness and every effort and consideration is being given to arranging his meetings on days when the informant is mobile and when his health is affected the least.

In connection with the informant's reactivation efforts, he is being assisted by his [redacted] who makes contacts, obtains literature, and entertains the informant's Party contacts during their visits to informant's home. She is most cooperative and is trusted by the Communist Party officials and while not desirous of re-entering the Party, she recognizes that if the informant assumes an official position, her activities must necessarily increase. The source is presently not paid though she is rendering services to a limited extent.

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Informant continues his contacts with District #8 functionaries and in addition has had personal contacts with national Communist Party functionaries of importance in the last two months, the details of which will be set out below. Indicative of the value of information and the type of contacts, this informant is in a position to make and has made are the following:

On November 7, 1952, the informant furnished information that LENA SCHERER, a prominent New York Communist and former member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, had been offered a job in the New York District Cadre Commission.

On October 31, 1952, the informant furnished detailed information concerning Cominfil of the Radio and Television Industry in the Chicago Area, prior to 1946.

On October 31, 1952, informant furnished detailed background and Communist Party apparatus information concerning EDDIE KOGAN, a former employee of Amtorg, who is presently living in New York.

On November 7, 1952, informant furnished detailed information concerning the training in Moscow by the Comintern of RANSOM VERNON DeFAUT and of MAGNUS NELSON in the Communist Party radio apparatus at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

On November 7, 1952, the informant furnished information concerning CLARA RUBENS, IS-R, concerning her background and in that connection, identified IDA WINSBERG of Chicago as the former secretary of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER in TUEL.

On November 13, the informant identified CHARLOTTE MELAMED, a former district president of the EMMA LAZARUS Division, JPFO - IWO, Chicago, as the former wife of JOHN LAUTNER and in addition, identified MELAMED's former husband one LEVIN as being engaged in the Communist apparatus, Chicago in the late 1930's.

From November 22 to December 2, 1952, the informant was in New York in direct contact with Communist Party National and New York District leaders such as WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, WILLIAM WEINER, STANLEY LEVISON, WOFSEY, Sr., former DO of Connecticut, WILLIAM LAWRENCE, MARTIN YOUNG, ISADORE BEGUN, LEON JOSEPHSON and LENA and MARCEL SCHERER.

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In that connection, the informant obtained valuable information concerning the identity of present leaders of the Communist Party - United States of America, District Organizers of the New York District and also information concerning key personnel of the National Office. He also furnished information on the Communist Party security measures, and on the existence of a "Committee" which is presently running all important activities of the Communist Party. Of greater importance, however, in so far as the informant is concerned, is the fact that the trip definitely established that the National leadership, including FOSTER, has confidence in the informant and the informant was able to indicate to FOSTER and WILLIAM WEINER that he is well enough to make a "greater contribution" than he has been making to date.

Arrangements were also made for communications between the informant and key persons in New York and the informant was advised by WEINER that he would be contacted, apparently by a National Office person, in a month or so.

On December 11, 1952, the informant had a long personal conference with HARRY BRIDGES who was in Chicago for the holidays.

On December 16, 1952, the informant was in contact with LEON KATZEN, Communist Party District #8 Financial Secretary, who has been underground for two years and the contact lasted for eight hours. The informant was able to identify the District Organizer of the Communist Party and furnished identifying information concerning the identity of the assistant to the present District Organizer in Chicago. In addition, the informant obtained information concerning the new organizational structure of District #8, Communist Party personnel, security matters, and the

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District #8 plans for the ideological rearmament of the membership as well as information concerning the current Party program.

On December 19, 1952, the informant furnished information concerning the trip made by HARRY I. MILLER, Chicago businessman and believed to be a courier between District #8 and the National Office, which was made on or about December 12, 1952. As a result of this information, concerning MILLER's activities previously and subsequently furnished by this informant, this office in January, 1953, was able to locate a newly purchased 1953 Plymouth automobile obtained by MILLER apparently for apparatus work which in January, 1953, was driven by LEON KATZEN.

On December 23, 1952, the informant was in contact with one of the Communist Party doctors in the Chicago area SAUL PEARLMAN and obtained information concerning FRANK MUCCI, missing Communist Party District #8 functionary.

On December 24, 1952, the informant had contact with DAVID ENGLESTEIN, Publicity Director, District #8 Communist Party, formerly underground for two years and the informant obtained valuable information concerning Communist Party personnel, Party policy and the organizational condition of District 8.

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On December 24, 1952, [ ] at informant's request, delivered Christmas presents to the children of a number of Communist Party District #8 functionaries and National functionaries whose wives are presently in the Chicago area. Among these, was BUE KLING, wife of JACK KLING, missing national functionary who made overtures to the source for her to increase her Party activity.

On December 24, 1952, [ ] was contacted by LEON KATZEN, District Financial Secretary presently underground, who solicited her cooperation to take [ ] referred to her by him and place it with the understanding that the source is to turn over her commissions in the business to him for use of the Party.

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On December 25, 1952, the informant and his wife had Christmas dinner with HARRY I. MILLER, previously described, at which time MILLER told the informant that he was going to New York sometime in January and volunteered to carry any messages for the informant that the informant desired to transmit.

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On December 28, 1952, the informant and his wife invited MILTON and SUE COHEN, formerly employed by the Communist Party, District 8, to the informant's residence for dinner. Considerable information concerning the family of KITTY HARRIS, former mistress of EARL BROWDER was furnished. It is noted that KITTY HARRIS is presently the subject of a Bureau investigation to locate her in connection with her activities in the Party apparatus.

On January 3, 1953, informant spent four hours with HARRY BRIDGES and obtained information concerning his recent trip around the country made for the purpose of presenting the facts of his deportation case to the public. Informant also obtained BRIDGES' present views about the policies of the Communist Party.

On January 9, 1953, the informant exhibited to the interviewing agent a letter dated January 2, 1953 from LENA SCHERER, a prominent and influential Communist in New York, who advised the informant that she had just returned from Washington, D.C. where she had had a number of discussions with the First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy and two of his assistants with regard to the following matters:

- A. Peace
- B. Cadres
- C. Internationalism

The informant advised that he had suggested to this person during his trip to New York in November, 1952, that if she was dissatisfied with the present leadership of the Communist Party, she should make her facts known to proper persons "outside" whom the informant knew SCHERER had influence with.

The informant on January 9, 1953, advised that the letter above described was a followup to the informant's suggestion and stated that in his opinion, the complaints made by SCHERER were solely directed to the Russians concerning the present national leadership of the Communist Party. The informant advised that this complaint will be immediately transmitted by the Soviet Embassy to Russia and that repercussions would follow from that point. The informant's strategy in this respect is to elevate LENA SCHERER in the leadership of the Communist Party - United States of America and at the same time to promote Factionalism between the FOSTER leadership and the present group of which SCHERER

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is member, thus to some extent disrupting the activities of the Communist Party. The informant pointed out that if SCHEWER, by virtue of her strategy as above outlined again becomes prominent in the national leadership of the Communist Party, he will have a direct channel to top leadership in the Communist Party and will undoubtedly have made definite progress in his reactivation efforts which is the immediate problem in connection with the handling of this informant.

In addition to the above contacts, and the information described, the informant has continued to furnish personal background and Communist Party information concerning approximately fifty individuals who are or were prominent in Communist activities and/or the Communist apparatus.

The informant has also furnished information of value on such key matters as the following:

- Communist Party funds
- Communist Party underground apparatus
- Communist Party Factionalism
- Communist Party line as a result of the recent national elections
- Communist Party line as a result of the September, 1952 Communist Party SU Congress.
- Disruption of the Party as a result of prosecution and the FBI interviewing program
- Communist Party strategy in industry
- Communist Party strategy in connection with the activities of the "National Committee to Defend the Rosenbergs".

On January 5, 1953, a lengthy discussion was held with the informant in an attempt to evaluate his services and potentials in so far as Party leadership possibilities are concerned. It was agreed that real progress was made to date in the informant's reactivation efforts and that in view of his apparently successful contacts with such people as FOSTER and District 8 leaders, it appeared that the informant may receive an assignment in the near future.

It was agreed that because of Party security precautions, any effort to speed up informant's reactivation program might be dangerous. It was, therefore, felt that for the time being, the informant should

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await the National Office contact above referred to by WEINER but in the meantime, of course, will maintain his district and national contacts through personal contacts and by correspondence. In the meantime, consideration is being given by the informant and the agent handling him, to take the following additional steps toward reactivation in the event such steps are deemed advisable through the normal development:

1. In order to counteract any feeling in the National Office that the informant is incapable of receiving active assignment due to illness, the informant on or about January 25, 1953 will send letters by HARRY I. MILLER, his courier, to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and WILLIAM WEINER. FOSTER's letter will contain constructive suggestions in line with FOSTER's resolution appearing in the December 28, 1952 issue of "The Daily Worker".

2. On the occasion of the informant's next meeting with LEON KATZEN, the informant feels he can now safely ask KATZEN to arrange a meeting with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, District Organizer, now underground, to discuss the District #8 organizational deficiency with LIGHTFOOT.

3. After seeing CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, the informant will give consideration to again contacting WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, "talking as an old timer" and complaining to FOSTER about inactivity and the lack of organizational ability of the present District #8 leadership. The informant feels that by so doing, he will cause instructions to issue from the National Office for closer liaison with the informant.

4. In the event the above steps are taken and the results are unsuccessful, consideration will then be given to the informant's suggestion that he might make one or two public appearances at a key front group meeting in order that the membership will know the informant is again active. By so doing, the informant believes he might bring the membership to him in an effort to force the functionaries to seek his counsel. This step is a drastic one and will be taken only at such time as it is determined that all other logical efforts for reactivation have resulted unsuccessfully.

#### CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

Based on the quality of the information CG 5824-S is presently furnishing, his proven ability to secure the confidence of both the National Communist



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Party leadership and the District #8 open and underground functionaries, and on informant's future potential for assumption of a top leadership position in the Communist Party, it is recommended that the Bureau continue the informant's services for an additional period of three months beginning February 1, 1953 at the rate of \$800 per month, \$600 of said amount to be used for living expenses including payments on his car, \$100 per month to be used for miscellaneous expenses including entertainment, travel and literature and \$100 per month to be used for payments of back debts.

Should extraordinary travel expense be necessary such as for an additional trip to New York, special authority will be asked of the Bureau for additional funds. The services of this informant will continue to be closely supervised and bi-weekly reports will be submitted concerning his reactivation progress unless the Bureau sees fit to authorize the submission of monthly progress reports as requested in Chicago letter of January 5, 1953.

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TO : SAC

FROM : Carl N. Freyman

SUBJECT: Cg-5824-S (134-46)

DATE: 1-19-53

On 1-14-53 SAC John F. MALONE, Supervisor J. P. MC Mahon and the writer met with the informant at the Conrad Hilton Hotel for an hour and a half.

The informant's reactivation progress was reviewed, the projected future program was discussed and informant made inquiry re his income tax return, security, <sup>and</sup> the necessity for keeping his channels of info open insofar as possible in order to continue to obtain high level information and at the same time reactivate.

The informant was given assurances along the line suggested in mimemo of 1-14-53 and appeared at the termination of the discussion to be satisfied on all matters discussed.

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Director, FBI (61-7665)

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Re Chicago letter to the Bureau dated December 19, 1952 and Bureau letter to Chicago dated January 6, 1953 regarding the submission of income tax reports by the captioned informant.

Your attention is called to the problems raised in reference Chicago letter of December 19, 1952 involving the submission of an income tax return for 1952 by the informant's wife

[redacted] Particular attention is directed to the questions raised as to how this source might answer questions concerning her marital status, and whether or not her spouse is submitting a separate tax return. Your attention is also called to the problem that will result in submitting her return regardless of how the above questions are answered and particularly to the fact that if she states she is submitting a joint return, the informant must necessarily be a co-signer to this return. b7D

Inasmuch as the answers furnished by the informant's wife will directly refer to the existence or non-existence of an income tax return of CG 5824-S, and since the answers which she might give are subject to perjury charges, the informant's wife must also be advised as to how these matters can be handled. b7D

For your information [redacted]

[redacted] as a [redacted] by [redacted] a [redacted] She has reported income in previous years and these returns were submitted to the Collector of Internal Revenue, Chicago. [redacted] Chicago. It is her intention to continue to report under her maiden name unless advised to the contrary. b7D

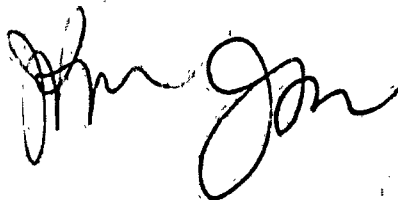
It is common knowledge in the Communist Party, locally and nationally, that CG 5824-S has been supported [redacted]

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Director, FBI,

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and by NY 694-S for at least the past three years. The informant's wife is not known to have outside income and the informant himself had no income during the year 1952 other than that provided by the Bureau.

The Bureau is therefore requested at its earliest convenience to furnish specific instructions to be transmitted both to CG 5824-S and [redacted] in order to allow them to file with the maximum security and at the same time to conform with the existing internal revenue regulations.

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TO : SAC

DATE: 1-19-53

FROM : C. N. Freyman

SUBJECT:

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On 1/15/53 the writer paid the captioned informant the sum of \$400.00 for services rendered during the period 1-1-53 through 1-15-53. Payment at Conrad Hilton and receipt obtained.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago (134-46)

DATE: January 15, 1953

FROM : Director, FBI (61-7665)

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SUBJECT: CG-5824-S

Reurlet January 5, 1953.

The Bureau is following the progress of this informant very closely and it is necessary that you keep the Bureau constantly advised of his efforts to become reactivated in the Communist Party on a high level.

You should continue, therefore, to submit biweekly letters summarizing the results of contacts with the informant and setting forth steps being taken to reactivate him on behalf of the Bureau.

*gr*

- ☐ SAC
- ☐ Mr. Roeb
- ☐ Mr. Bates
- ☐ Mr. Ladd
- ☐ Miss Gandy
- ☐ Mr. Nichols
- ☐ Mr. Belmont
- ☐ Mr. Mohr
- ☐ Mr. Winterrowd
- ☐ Miss Gray
- ☐ Miss Woodruff
- ☐ Leave Clerk
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC  
FROM: SA JOSEPH P. McMAHON  
SUBJECT: SECURITY INFORMANTS -  
SEMI - ANNUAL REPORT,  
CHICAGO DIVISION

DATE: 1-26-53

DETAILS:

The next semi annual report on security informant coverage is due at the Bureau on February 15, 1953. In connection with the submission of this report each Agent for whom a copy of the memorandum is designated is requested to answer the following questions by February 1, 1953 and to personally furnish this memorandum in completed form to SA ROBERT J. WILSON. After each question a space is provided for your handwritten or type-written response.

1. Set forth the identity of any communist, subversive, splinter group or COMINFIL organization in which your informant presently holds actual membership and is furnishing information to this office. Also indicate if your informant holds an official position in this organization and the specific title given to this position. *CP - no title, - last title was as National Functionary 1947 - on Nat. CP. Pay-roll to 1949 -*
2. Set forth the identity of any communist, subversive, splinter group of COMINFIL organization in which your informant does not hold actual membership but on which he is able to furnish information or is in a position to report on activities if such should occur.

*Practically Any P.P. Front Organization in existence to July 1947. 134-46 54a*

- ② Daily Worker 1946-47.
- ③ Midwest Daily Record 1928-29.

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④ P.P. Apparatus 1932-1947 -  
⑤ Lenin School 1929-32.  
⑥ Activities of CP Nat Comm. Nat Bd. 1936-47.

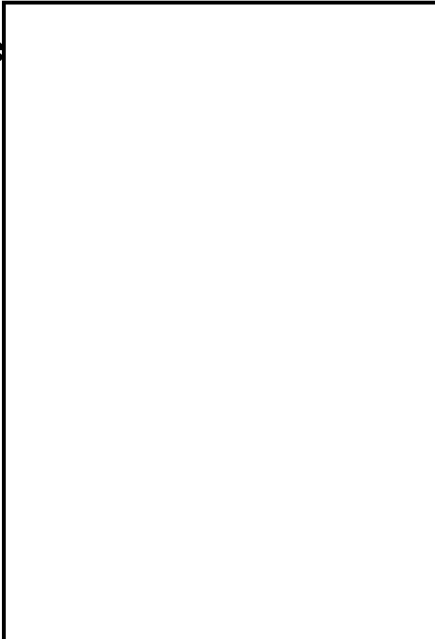
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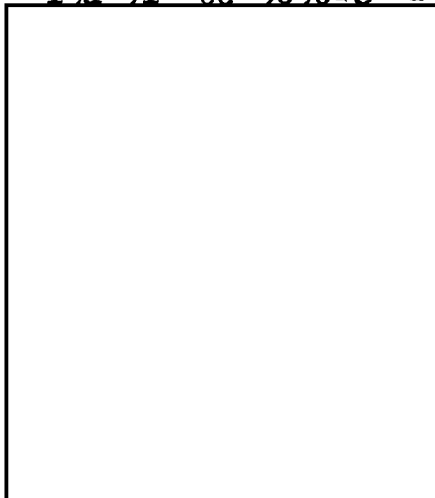
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SA MYRON H. TRETER  
 SA G. C. THOMPSON  
 SA E. P. GRIGALUS  
 SA M. R. CARRANO  
 SA GEORGE M. WOODLEY  
 SA CHARLES BOLZ  
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 SA NICHOLAS WULTICH  
 SA ROBERT CAHILL  
 SA RICHARD BAKER  
 SA J. W. PETERSON  
 SA J. ROBERT WALTERS  
 SA JOHN J. JARMUL  
 SA E. H. McGRAIL  
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 SA J. W. T. MEDAIRY  
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 SA FRANCIS COFFEY  
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 SA DANIEL THOMAS  
 SA C. N. FREYMAN



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3. Indicate if your informant or Confidential Source who has a permanent symbol number assigned is paid on a regular basis and the amount that has been approved by the Bureau.

*\$800 pm. - 6 Cour. Salary & Exp - to Expire. Yes.  
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4. In addition the following information must be submitted on all informants or Confidential Sources who are not paid on a regular basis but who have a permanent symbol number assigned.
- a. Set forth the actual dates you have contacted this informant or source since August 1, 1952 to the present. This information must be obtained from and substantiated in the informant's administrative or sub A file. However, since it is realized that informant contacts for the month of January, 1953 may not have yet reached the file it will be permissible for this month to list these contacts even though it is not yet in the file.
  - b. Set forth a succinct summary of the information received from this informant or source for the past six months and also indicate the type of matters the informant or source is usually contacted on.

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- c.. Evaluate the information as set forth above as to reliability, completeness and need for such information.

*Reliable*

- d. Indicate any present union affiliation on the part of this informant or source.

*none*

- e. Indicate any draft status or status in any Reserve unit.

*None*

- f. Indicate if this informant or source has any criminal record and if so, set forth the circumstances.

*none*

- g. Recommend if the services of this informant or source should be continued.

Director, FBI (#61-7665)

January 27, 1953

SAC, Chicago (#134-46)

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*John* CG-5824-S

Re Chicago letter, 12-19-52; Bulet, 1-6-53; and  
Chicago letter, 1-19-53, captioned as above.

For the information of New York, the Bureau is pre-  
sently attempting to work out a plan which would  
allow the above informant to file a Federal Income  
Tax return with the greatest possible security.

New York is aware that NY-694-S, for a number of  
years, has supported CG-5824-S and has claimed this  
informant as a dependent for tax purposes.

During the first half of 1952, CG-5824-S received  
checks from NY-694-S which were used by him for per-  
sonal living and medical expenses and also for finan-  
cial assistance to the parents of these informants.  
During approximately the last six months of the past  
year, the great share of the money furnished by NY-694-S  
to CG-5824-S was turned over by the Chicago informant  
for the use of the informants' father. It, therefore,  
appears that definite information concerning the tax  
return of NY-694-S is necessary prior to the filing of  
a tax return by CG-5824-S.

Chicago, therefore, requests New York to contact  
NY-694-S at the earliest possible time to ascertain  
the following information and to furnish this infor-  
mation to the Bureau and Chicago:

1. Has NY-694-S filed a Federal Income Tax re-  
turn to date? If not, he should be instructed  
to withhold the filing of his personal Federal  
Income Tax return until the Bureau can work  
out an acceptable plan for these informants.
2. Does NY-694-S contemplate the claiming of  
CG-5824-S as a dependent? If so, he should

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#134--NY-694-S)

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Director, FBI

RE: CG-5824-S

be advised of the necessity for CG-5824-S to file a separate return, in which case NY-694-S cannot claim the informant as a dependent. If NY-694-S has supported his parents during the past year with over 50 percent of their income, he would be eligible to claim them as dependents and could also claim the money advanced for medical care for the parents as legitimate expense items.

3. If NY-694-S has filed a Federal return, did he claim medical expenses for money advanced to CG-5824-S? If so, how much was claimed?
4. Is NY-694-S's wife aware of the relation of NY-694-S and CG-5824-S with the Bureau? If not, is she in a position to question any deletion from the Federal tax return of NY-694-S of CG-5824-S as a dependent?

In connection with the whole matter of filing a Federal return by CG-5824-S, NY-694-S should be advised that every effort is being made by the Bureau to work out a satisfactory plan which would afford CG-5824-S maximum security.

It is believed advisable, if NY-694-S has figures available on the matters above referred to, for New York to furnish them so that this office will be in a position to know all facts. An overall figure of money advanced by NY-694-S to CG-5824-S, both for personal and medical expenses during the past year, should be included, as well as NY-694-S's records concerning money advanced to CG-5824-S for the use of their parents.

New York is requested to reply to the above as soon as possible so that both the Bureau and Chicago will be in possession of full facts..

Director, FBI

RE: CG-5824-S

For the additional information of New York, CG-5824-S on January 16, 1953 dispatched a letter to NY-694-S to be delivered by this informant to WILLIAM WEINER. In a telephone conversation with NY-694-S on January 23, 1953, it was ascertained that NY-694-S has been ill and unable to deliver this letter. On the same date, CG-5824-S made arrangements with HARRY MILLER, his courier, who was traveling to New York on the same date, to pick up this letter and to deliver the letter personally to WEINER.

In order to work out future plans in connection with the reactivation of both of these informants, it would be helpful if New York could advise Chicago of the efforts currently being made by NY-694-S to reactivate and also if NY-694-S could be asked if he has any suggestions that might possibly be used in connection with both his reactivation and the reactivation of CG-5824-S.

In connection with the same matter, CG-5824-S is presently contemplating writing a letter to PEGGY DENNIS and in that connection, Chicago is desirous of ascertaining her current address and also whether or not she is currently receiving any volume of mail at her home address.

Submitted to the Bureau for information.